

AUSTRIA'S REPLY MADE PUBLIC

RECRUITS CALLED TO COLORS IN ENGLAND

New Order Indicates Earl of Derby's Plan a Success—No Description at Present

A call to the colors of four classes of recruits who enlisted under the Earl of Derby's plan to revive Great Britain's recruiting problem is taken by the British public to mean that the plan has been a success and that there will be no conscription for the present at least.

The Bulgarian army, which is resting on the Serbo-Greek frontier, is estimated to number 100,000, a Saloniki dispatch states. Some correspondents here believe that the Bulgarians have only temporary aid and that they will co-operate with Austro-German forces in a movement on Saloniki, which the entente allies are fortifying rapidly. Premier Radoslawoff of Bulgaria is

quoted by a German correspondent as declaring that Bulgaria would fight on Greek territory only with the guarantee to three that the Bulgarians would retire to their home soil after driving the entente allies out of Saloniki.

A despatch from Berne transmits the belief of a military writer there that a Teutonic move against Saloniki will be instituted if the central powers do not secure from Greece guarantees that the allies will be confined to their Saloniki camp.

Work on the preparation of a second note to Austria-Hungary on the Ancona case was begun by President Wilson in Washington today.

AGED KIDNAPPER CAUGHT

David D. Gilson, the Civil war veteran for whom a warrant is held by the local police for the kidnapping of the two James children, Effie and Vivian, aged 11 and 9 years, respectively, is being held by the police of New York city as a fugitive from justice and the two children are being cared for at the Children's society in that city until the arrival of someone to restore them to their anxious mother. The arrest of the aged man and the discovery of the children ended a search that has been going on for two weeks, the little ones disappearing after the school session on Friday of last week.

Wide newspaper publicity is believed by the police to be directly responsible for the capture of Gilson. The local department had traced the man to North Adams and thence to Troy, N. Y., where Supt. Petrie was working when the arrest was announced. Two New York detectives, however, who had read of the disappearance of the trio in the newspapers cleared up the mystery and immediately notified the local police.

The mother of the children was notified last evening by Patrolman Lynch that they had been found. She appeared surprised that they had gone as far as New York. Mrs. Gilson remained around the police station for considerable time this forenoon trying

to determine how the children could be brought home to her. She told The Sun that it would be another week of suspense if her children were not returned to her immediately. "I am a woman without means," she said, "and look to the police to send to New York for them." In the meantime Supt. Welch was attempting to devise some scheme to have the children returned today if possible. Under the law the city is not compelled to go to the expense of bringing kidnapped children home but Supt. Welch said he would do all possible to help the woman.

When questioned, Mrs. Gilson admitted that she owns a two and a half story house at 20 Wilson street without any incumbrances on it, but said she could not afford to spend \$15 to have her children returned. The woman said that she understood they would be properly cared for but she wanted them home to give them her own attention. While this question was being discussed, word was received that a Boston paper had offered to return the children with their mother's consent. Supt. Welch this forenoon communicated with the district attorney's office to start proceedings for the extradition of Gilson on the charge of kidnapping. It is understood that this process is necessary whether or not the man would be willing to return voluntarily. Papers will have to be made out by Supt. Welch, approved by the attorney general in Boston and then signed by Gov. Whitman. This morning Gilson's case was ordered continued until next Wednesday when, it is believed, the extradition proceedings will be finished.

How He Was Caught
It was while waiting at the Grand Central station in New York city for Gov. Whitman, to escort him to his automobile, that the detectives noticed two little girls followed by an old man. They watched them as they followed the governor to his motor car and then hurried after the three, leading them into the station master's room where they questioned them. The man admitted that he was David Gilson of Lowell, a Civil war veteran, 73 years old. The children also admitted their identity and said that they were daughters of Mrs. Alice James of 30 Wilson street. Gilson said that he had recently boarded with Mrs. Wilson and had been attracted to the children and last Friday took them away. The little girls told the New York police that Gilson had been very kind to them and they had enjoyed traveling with him. He had clipped their braids which he had kept in his bag, and had bought them new hats to cover the cropped heads. They had spent two days in Albany, it seems. The detectives were satisfied that the old man had intended no harm to the children, of whom he seemed to be very fond.

DENIES BLAME FOR ANCONA DISASTER

Views, Even if Correct, Do Not Warrant Blame Being Placed Upon Commander of Submarine, Says Vienna—Seeks Exchange of Opinions—Pres. Wilson Works on Sharp Rejoinder

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The official text of Austria's reply to the American note on the Ancona, made public here today, reveals that the Vienna government denies that the views presented by the United States, even if correct, warrant the blame for the disaster being placed upon the commander of the submarine.

The reply denies also that blame can be placed upon the Austro-Hungarian government even if "a most rigorous legal construction were applied to the judgment of the case."

WORK ON SECOND NOTE
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson began work today on the second note to Austria on the sinking of the Ancona.

Friendly relations between the United States and Austria, it was stated authoritatively, are nearing the breaking point and their continuance will depend entirely upon the reply Austria will be asked to make immediately to the note being framed today.

While the word ultimatum was not used by officials in discussing the note, it was indicated that the reply will state clearly the alternative which will follow if Austria's reply is unsatisfactory.

The gravity of the situation will not, however, cause President Wilson to postpone his departure tonight for the south on his wedding tour. Secretary Lansing sent to the White House early in the day a memorandum outlining his views as to what the second American note should contain. The president immediately began work on drafting the note and will confer with Secretary Lansing later. The note will go to Vienna within the next few days.

Close study of Austria's reply to the American demands that there should be a disavowal of the act of the submarine commander in sinking the Ancona, his punishment, reparation for American lives lost, and assurances that the incident would not be repeated, did not reduce the gravity with which officials viewed the situation.

President Wilson while on his wedding tour will keep in constant touch with the White House, and, if necessary, Secretary Lansing will go to see him to discuss the situation.

DIRECTORS OF WRECKED CAMBRIDGE BANK GUILTY

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Five directors of the National City bank of Cambridge which was wrecked in 1903 by George W. Coleman, a bookkeeper, now serving a prison term, were found guilty of negligence by Judge Bingham in the federal court here today. Under this decision depositors of the bank will recover approximately \$265,000.

The court's decision was based on a suit entered by former Gov. John L. Bates, as receiver, to hold the president and directors liable for their failure to discover the misconduct of Coleman in time to prevent the whole or any part of the loss during a period of more than three years in prison.

which the thefts were committed. The report of the master, Judge Robert O. Harris, who found in favor of the directors, was set aside.

Directors held responsible by Judge Bingham are Sumner Dresser, George W. Gale and David A. Barbour. Two other directors, Edwin Dresser, who was president, and George F. Richardson have died since the suits were instituted and the court directed that judgments be entered against their estates.

William J. Keilher, a friend of Coleman, was convicted as an accomplice and is serving an 18-year term in prison.

Judge Bingham said it seemed inconceivable that men who were aware that funds entrusted to their care were diminishing at an unprecedented rate, could be said to be exercising reasonable care in not looking more carefully into the methods of conducting the bank. The court also held that directors of a national bank entering upon their duties "impliedly agreed to perform them properly and faithfully, and if by misconduct or negligence they failed in this respect, and damage ensued, a cause of action arises which the receiver may enforce for the benefit of stockholders and creditors."

but they had to lock him up. The girls seemed quite content when taken to the Children's society.

After receiving the above information Chief Inspector Faurot sent the following telegram from the New York police, which announced the recovery of the children read as follows:

New York, Dec. 17, 1915.
Chief of Police, Lowell, Mass.
We have arrested David Gilson, 70 years. Had with him Effie and Vivian James, 11 and 9 years, respectively, of 30 Wilson street, Cambridge. Kindly ascertain if he has abducted them and will you prosecute. Rush answer. Faurot.

Supt. Welch's Reply

Supt. Welch immediately despatched the following reply:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 17, 1915.
Inspector Faurot, New York, N. Y.
Hold Gilson charge, fugitive from justice. We held warrant for his arrest for kidnapping Effie and Vivian James. Will start extradition proceedings tomorrow. Have case continued until Dec. 22.

Word of the arrest of Gilson came while Supt. Petrie was following an important clue to Troy, N. Y., and he was immediately ordered to return. In North Adams it was learned that Gilson and the two children were seen at the station on the arrival of the last train from the east last Friday night. They were directed to a hotel by a police officer and were assigned to two rooms. At 4 o'clock Saturday morning it is stated, the maid discovered the man packing the hall. He said that his room was cold and he wanted to warm. The housekeeper remarked that his room was as warm as the other and he returned.

It was learned from a conductor that early Saturday morning the man and two children went to Troy, N. Y. They were seen leave the train by the conductor who watched them disappear in the crowd. Supt. Petrie followed the trail to Troy where he received the message that Gilson had been arrested.

Start the new year with a checking account. Old Lowell National Bank.

POLICE COURT SESSION

The trial of Constantine Koutsoukoulos, accused of assault and battery on an 15-year-old Centralville girl, was begun before Judge Knight in the local court today. At noon the case had not been completed and it was continued until next week when the defense will be put on. William A. Hogan appeared for the government and Daniel J. Donahue for the defendant.

The complainant, an attractive young woman testified that on the night of December she attended a ball in Associate hall and was returning home about 11:30 o'clock when she noticed a man following her. She reached her yard safely and had her hand on the door knob when a man jumped over the hedge and grabbed her by the throat. Holding one hand over her mouth and the other on her neck, the witness said, the man told her that if she tried to speak he would kill her on the spot.

The young woman said she was thrown onto the lawn where the man released her hold long enough for her to shout for help. He then told her that he would surely kill her and threw her over the stone wall into the cemetery. The girl's mother appeared at the window at this time and frightened the man away. All the time, said the girl, she fought with her assailant and kicked him several times.

She said that the man wore a gray cap, brown overcoat and blue suit. She pointed out Koutsoukoulos as the man who committed the assault. Three different times, stated the witness, she had seen the defendant on street cars and each time he had paid particular attention to her. The first time the girl said the defendant stared at her continually. The second time he picked up some papers which she dropped and told the complainant he would like to pick up something for her. He then told her that once when in New York city a woman riding on a car beside him dropped a peek of cranberries and he was so kind as to pick up everyone for her. The girl then told

of other times when the defendant paid attention to her, but denied that she ever answered him.

She was cross-examined by Lawyer Donahue, who attempted to show that the assault was committed by another person and that Koutsoukoulos was at the U. S. Courthouse Co. applying for work that night. Supt. Barbour, who made the arrest, also testified. At 12:30 o'clock the case was ordered continued.

Sent to Reformatory

Alma Lapage, the Manchester, N. H., youth who entered a store on Market street Wednesday and flourished a revolver at the clerk, was sentenced to the Massachusetts reformatory today. Lapage admitted his guilt and said that he attempted his unsuccessful hold-up to obtain money. A communication from the Manchester, N. H., police showed that Lapage has been arrested in that city several times for minor offenses.

Daniel Ouellette, who pleaded guilty to falling to support his wife, was sentenced to five months in the house of correction. Ouellette attempted to show the court that his wife was in a room with another man. Two drunk offenders were requested to pay fines and there were four releases by the probation officer.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Benjamin Starks, a young man employed as a chauffeur for Fairburn's market, escaped serious injury and probable death shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, when the machine he was driving crashed through a fence and went over a 70-foot embankment in Stockpole street. The machine came to a stop at the bottom of the embankment when it hit a tree. Young Starks stuck to his seat and was uninjured. The damage to the machine was trifling and none of the orders which remained to be delivered were upset. The machine was pulled back to the street by men employed by the Stanley Transportation Co. The embankment where the machine went over was down almost perpendicularly and it is a wonder that the auto did not turn turtle. The accident was the result of the slippery condition of the street.

FORMER MAYOR BROWN ARRESTED FOR DEBT

Technical Arrest Followed Decision on Poor Debtor Hearing by Judge Fisher

Following the finding of Judge Fred-

eric A. Fisher of probable cause on

two of four charges brought against

former Mayor George H. Brown by At-

torney Albert S. Howard in the pre-

liminary poor debtor's proceedings, Mr.

Brown appeared in the office of the

local police court this forenoon where

a certificate of arrest issued by the

court was served on him by Deputy

Sheriff B. F. Gately. Andrew P.

Roach, acting as surety, supplied bond

in the sum of \$500 for the respondent's

appearance at any date within the next

30 days for examination on his applica-

tion to take the poor debtor's oath.

The proceedings were instituted by

Lawyer Howard for the purpose of

collecting a judgment given him by a

jury in the superior court for legal

services alleged to have been rendered

Mr. Brown while commissioner at city

hall. The charges in which probable

cause were found allege that five days

ago Mr. Howard rendered a bill to

Mr. Brown, the latter assigned his sal-

ary to one Arthur J. Lyons of Boston

for the purpose of defrauding credi-

tors, and that since the debt was con-

tracted Mr. Brown paid more than \$100

the time that he was mayor.

In some form of gambling prohibited

by law.

During the next 30 days Mr. Brown

can pursue one of two different

courses. He must either pay Mr. How-

ard's bill or make application to take

the poor debtor's oath. Providing the

latter course is adopted the same evi-

dence presented in the recent hear-

ing will be heard by a judge in the

local court. If a finding of not guilty

is made Mr. Brown will be freed, but

if probable cause is again found, Mr.

Brown will either be obliged to pay

the bill or be committed to jail with

the right of appeal. If the appeal is

taken the case will be tried before a

judge. The hearing of the hearing of

the evidence in the above case covered

a period of several days and had to do

with Mr. Brown's financial acts since

the time that he was mayor.

PLOT TO DESTROY CANAL

Four Men Accused of Conspiracy to Block Welland Canal, Canadian Waterway

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Charged

with conspiring in a military enter-

prise to destroy the Welland canal,

the Canadian waterway which con-

nects Lake Erie and Lake Ontario,

three men are under arrest here today

awaiting arraignment before a United

States commissioner, while a fourth

man is in the custody of government

authorities. Those under arrest are:

Paul Koenig, formerly head of the bu-

reau of investigation of the Hamburg-

American line, who, it is charged, has

been the head of the German secret

service in the United States since the

beginning of the war. Richard G.

Leyendecker, a retailer of art goods

in this city, a naturalized American,

alleged to have been employed by

Koenig. Frederick Metzler of Jersey

City reported to have been a clerk in

the offices of the Hamburg-American

line and secretary to Koenig.

George Fuchs who was formerly in

Koenig's employ and who has given

the authorities valuable information.

So far as known he is not alleged to

be a party to any conspiracy.

The arrests were made last night

on a complaint alleging that Koenig

and others went to Buffalo and Niagara

Falls in September last to pre-

pare means to destroy the canal, by

force of arms. The three defendants.

It was learned today, have been under

surveillance for a year. The evidence

which led to their arrest was given

by George Fuchs, who, it is charged,

quarreled with Koenig over the pay-

ment of \$15 which he claimed Koenig

owed him. Detectives employed by

Capt. Tunney of the New York police

department, obtained Fuchs's statement

and turned him over to William M.

Ottley, head of the agents of the de-

partment of justice.

The purpose of the alleged attempt

to block the canal was, it is charged,

to prevent the movement of supplies

down the Great Lakes and through

the Welland canal and St. Lawrence

river to the entente allies.

The names of workers in San Fran-

cisco, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit,

Boston and other cities are said to

have been discovered among docu-

ments seized by the authorities in a

raid upon the offices of Koenig and

Leyendecker.

The penalty for the crime charged

in this case is three years in prison

or \$3000 fine, or both.

Koenig came into public notice last

June when the affidavit of Gustav

Stahl, availing that he had seen can-

non on board the steamship Ludlana

before she sailed on her fatal voyage,

was submitted to the state depart-

ment. It was then that the state and

government authorities that Stahl

could be found in Albany.

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WILSON - GALT WEDDING

Ceremony Will Take Place in Washington. This Evening—All Arrangements Completed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The wedding of President Wilson and Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt overshadowed in interest today affairs of state.

All arrangements were completed for the ceremony which is to be solemnized at Mrs. Galt's home tonight. The members of the two families who are to be the wedding guests were here and decorators and florists had put the finishing touches on the rooms to be used for the wedding. Arrangements for guarding the house during the ceremony included a division of all traffic from the street and a heavy guard of policemen and secret service agents about the premises.

Granddaughter Christened

Although details of the wedding trip had not been disclosed it became known that the couple will leave for the south shortly after the ceremony. The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal church here, who is to perform the wedding ceremony had also been selected to officiate at the christening of the White House today before members of the wedding party of Ellen Wilson Maxwell, seven months old, the president's only granddaughter.

Their First Meeting

The president first met Mrs. Galt not long after the death of the first Mrs. Wilson on Aug. 9, 1914, and by this time all the world knows that Dr. Cary T. Grayson, the president's physician and intimate friend, was the deus ex machina who first brought Mrs. Galt into the circle of the bereaved White House family, through Miss Alice Gordon.

MANY PEOPLE DON'T KNOW

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THE PLAY FOR EVERYONE TO SEE

Pythessan, who married Robert, the first of the Bolling family in America. From the only son of this union descended all who can claim the blood of the little princess who is one of the romantic figures of Colonial history.

Norman Galt was the owner of the Galt Bros. Jewelry establishment which had come to him by inheritance, and is one of the modest firms in Washington. The Galts are of Scotch origin. They have been people of means and importance in Washington for several generations in the old days "before the war" and just after it. Galt, then a young old man, little more than a boy, came to the city to serve in lieu of a club for gentlemen passing to and from the capital. Many ambitious schemes and measures of import were hatched in his rear room.

When Norman Galt died eight years ago he left his entire fortune, quoted as some \$500,000, to his wife without any reservation whatsoever, making her executrix without bonds. She bought out the remaining interest in the business and is now sole owner, her two brothers, William and Randolph Bolling, acting as managers for her.

The president's wife has a pleasant voice and used to sing a good deal as a girl when her brother Rolfe played her accompaniments. But she is no student of music. Her education is the typical of the southern women of gentle birth. It tended more to the cultivation of domestic arts and social graces than to her development along intellectual lines. She is an excellent housekeeper and what is more important, a home maker.

An Ardent Churchwoman

She is an ardent church woman, and has always preferred to make use of church charities as a medium of her benevolence. During the many years that she was a member of St. Thomas church, she was an active worker in the church's aid society, served on the board of lady managers of the Episcopal Live, Ear and Throat hospital, and similar activities have engaged her since the recent change by which she became a member of St. Margaret's. Withal she has a hatred of notoriety.

Galt is fairly tall with a graceful figure, rich brown hair and blue gray eyes, so shaded by long dark-lashes that to the casual observer they appear black.

Her mouth is frankly large, but many of her admirers regard it as her best feature, being gracefully curved and very expressive, and her entire manner is very animated when she talks. Her manner is both friendly and gracious. She has the essential gift highly developed and is qualified to lend distinction and charm to the difficult role of first lady of the land.

Although those familiar with the social history of the capital are prophesying for her a degree of personal popularity which has not been reached since the days of Mrs. Cleveland, who also came to it as the president's bride.

MOTORCYCLES FOR ARMY

CONGRESS ASKED TO PURCHASE 100 MACHINES FOR THE SIGNAL CORPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Congress has been asked to provide one hundred motorcycles for the use of the army signal corps, because events of the European war have disclosed the great value of these machines.

In his annual report today General Scriven, chief of the corps, says: "Our own experience, wherever considerable bodies of troops have been consolidated and in service along the Mexican border, has confirmed this idea."

He proposes the organization of motorcycle stations of the corps. The signal corps is now short 33 officers and 322 men of the personnel necessary for its work, the report states, and for a standing army of 189,000 men would need 173 officers and 2335 men.

A reserve corps to be composed of engineers and operators of the commercial telephone, telegraph and radio companies and organized along lines of the medical reserve corps is urged.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been received at the city clerk's office since the last were published: Frank P. Donahue, 22, card room, 14 Russell street, and Mary E. Coyne, 17, at home, 30 Rock street.

Thomas Reube, 31, third hand, 135 Tremont street, and Emma Beland, 22, center Alken street.

John E. Normande, 22, machinist, 14 Appleton place, and Florine Gillett, 20, at home, same address.

Joseph A. Bieffler, 22, operative, 115 North Main street, and Emily Campbell, 19, at home, 120 Market street.

John S. Mendon, 24, operative, Elm street, and Maria S. Patten, 22, at home, 100 North Main street.

George N. Georgiades, 33, physician, 1612 Middlesex street, and Stephanie J. English, 23, housekeeper, same address.

Ureel Archambault, 34, (widowed) foreman, Peabody Mass., and Amanda Boucher, 23, knitter, 150 Emmet street.

Samuel J. Smith, 22, stenographer, 124 West Fifth street, and Alice Dossy, 18, at home, 10 Cherry street.

William J. Brunell, 22, Roman, 11 Colman court, and Amelia Tassier, 20, at home, 23 Cherry street.

Harvey A. Young, 23, stenographer, 24 Bridge street, and Adelaide Furlong, 23, stenographer, 24 Bridge street.

Charles E. (widowed) Barber, 42, woodman street, and Adele Conner, 18, at home, 100 Lafayette street.

Edna E. (widowed) Iron, 22, at home, 100 North Main street, and Catherine J. Smyth, 22, at home, 11 Queen street.

Thomas F. Ryan, 23, blacksmith, 53 Linden street, and Margaret Carroll, 22, at home, 100 North Main street.

Alfred O'Brien, 25, third hand, 12 West Third street, and Marie Clement, 22, at home, 173 Indian street.

Samuel Henderson, 23, barrel maker, 12 Howard street, and Sarah Vile, 18, at home, 100 North Main street.

Henry C. Hayward, 23, machinist, 20 Broadway street, and Althea L. P.

guson, 21, U. S. Cartridge Co., 655 Gosham street.
Thomas F. Leonard, 27, carpet weaver, 120 Adams street, and Elizabeth Luby, 23, waitress, 50 John street.
Phileas Paradis, 18, shoe shop, 76 Tucker street, and Marie Anne Isabelle, 17, operative, same address.
Edmond Belier, 28, second hand, 153 Dutton street, and Anna Biron, 18, operative, 158 Salem street.
James Roy, 32 (divorced), tailor, 122 First street, and Eva Lescard, 30, at home, same address.
Joseph Ernest Tremblay, 23, machinist, 32 Common street, and Lila Rebecq, 20, waitress, 25 Bowlers street.
Ederic Coutro, 22, clerk, 23 Dodge street, and Angeline Massolito, 20, at home, 11 Somerset street.
James J. Bell, 22, U. S. Cartridge Co., 11 Waverley street, and Margaret Hayden, 21, at home, 35 Burras street.
Alexander Whyte, 22, steel worker, 22 Garret street, and Kathryn Diggins, 21, shoemaker, 3 Webster street.

AT THE BON MARCHE

FIVE MORE SHOPPING DAYS AND THIS EMPORIUM HAS MANY ATTRACTIONS FOR BUYERS

Five more shopping days at the Bon Marche, and these will be busy days. This popular department store has always made very extensive arrangements for catering to the public patronage at Christmas time, and for several years it has been known to all most every child in Middlesex county as headquarters for Santa Claus. They have every known kind of a toy on sale. Mr. E. J. Gilmore, the popular manager of the store, has slightly drifted away from that feature but has very greatly increased the capacity of the store, adding another show space, and also adding several departments in addition to those that they have had for years. This year a larger and better quality as well as variety of goods can be found than would please anyone young or old. These are the times when the Bon Marche realizes the value of space for the conducting of the holiday patronage. All this work the store has been filled with customers buying from every department and from the way that purchases were made one would almost think that the goods were given away. The store is most extravagantly and beautifully decorated with holly and other greenery and the ever popular California poinsettias are generously distributed in all the departments making a very pretty display. With it the scores of beautiful dust proof counters and show cases and the up-to-date cash carrying system, and obliging and accommodating clerks and every known feature to assist their customers one can rightly call it the "no loss war" store. People can do more business with satisfaction than ever before. To attempt to go into any lengthy detailed description of what can be seen there, we neither have time nor space, with nearly fifty distinct departments there are very few things that a person cannot find whether it be from a spoon of thread to a Victrola or the needs of all classes of people. There is the glove department, the toilet and manicure, waists and blouses, and not forgetting the large and commodious suit and cloak department, and fine undergarments.

In preparing your list of Christmas gifts run down the following suggestions and then start in Monday morning early and you will save time and money by the operation.

Suggestions:
Bath Robes.
Kimono.
Slippers.
Gloves.
Bath Robe Blankets.
Waist Patterns.
Quilts.
Blankets.
Handkerchiefs.
Ties—Shirts.
Stationery.
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ELECTION ARRESTS LIKELY

LYNN, Dec. 18.—It was reported yesterday that considerable evidence had been placed in the hands of Chief Inspector Wilson H. Thorne, which may soon be followed by arrests as a result of an alleged attempt to manipulate the votes in this city at the recent election.

STOLEN BY A JINNEY

A little daughter of James L. Robertson of 75 Bowden street was struck by an automobile near the old gas grounds in Durham street last evening, but fortunately escaped serious injury. It is understood that the child was on a sled which was being drawn through the roadway by her mother when a jinney bus struck the sled. The child was picked up and placed in the ambulance and taken to her home where she received medical attendance.

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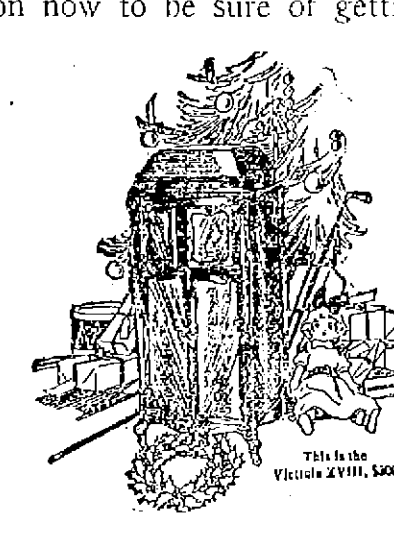
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COMM'R MORSE TALKS

Proud of the Sewer System and Catch Basins—Gasolene Permits Granted—City Hall News

There was a period of looking backward at city hall today and The Sun reporter heard some of the commendations given the work of the sewer commissioner. Morse is just a bit proud of the sewer system of the city.

Catch Basins

There are 3500 catch basins in the city of Lowell and Charles Morse, commissioner of the streets and highways, says that the 3500 basins are being kept pretty busy today.

"But the basins are equal to it," said Mr. Morse, as he told about how storms are looked after by the street department, "but the present storm hasn't cost us very much yet. Our catch basins can take care of any kind of a storm and I hold that our sewer system is as good as any in the country. Sometimes the street railway company's truck basins get clogged, but they work pretty well as a rule. Our catch basins are not as deep as one catch basin. Some of them empty into our basins and some connect directly with the sewer."

"Later on I am going to ask for a catch basin gang and team. The same method of looking after the catch basins is employed today as was employed years ago and the number of catch basins has greatly increased. I don't propose to let them get away from us and in order to look after them properly we must have a crew for that special purpose."

Drawing of Jurors

At the meeting of the city council on Tuesday night, six traverse jurors and one grand juror will be drawn at the superior court to be held at Cambridge on the first Monday of January.

Many Deaths This Week

There were 12 deaths from pneumonia in this city last week and the death rate was the highest in several months. The total number of deaths was 51, the largest number in one week since the week of April 19, when the total number was 52.

Apprentice for Constable

Joseph S. Lapierre, of 21 Central street, has filed his application for appointment as constable with the city clerk. It is his application, which is accompanied by the necessary fee, that Lapierre remarked to the city clerk that he was born in 1877 and that his application for appointment as constable was the 37th filed by him.

Garages and Gasoline

Garage and gasoline permits recommended by the commissioner of public safety have been granted as follows:
H. E. Peterson, garage and gasoline, 100 Bowdoin avenue.
W. W. Davis, garage, 100 Bowdoin street.
H. Colwell, garage, 20 West street.
Garage and gasoline company, garage and gasoline, Watson and Whipple streets.
H. Moody, garage and gasoline, 21 Boylston street.
Harry L. Gonzales' petition for permit to keep store and sell sunpowder and ammunition at 125 Gosham street has also been granted.

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Raffia is popular for tying gift parcels. We have it in red and green shades. Portion 10c

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

A very important session of the Lowell Typographical union will be held tonight in Post 120 hall, Merrimack street. A large amount of important business will come up for transaction and final plans will be arranged for the anniversary of the local and the celebration of Franklin's birthday, which will be commemorated as a joint event in January.

Bricklayers' Union

The Bricklayers' union held an interesting meeting last night in Trades and Labor hall at which several very important matters were discussed. Second International Vice-President George Thornton was present and addressed the meeting.

William Booth Resigns

William Booth, who has been overseer in the weaving department of the Merrimack Woolen mill, has resigned.

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his position. Henry Jordan has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Moulders' Strike

The strike situation at the Saco-Lowell shops is unchanged. Labor report that all shops, with the exception of the Saco-Lowell, have signed the new agreement.

To Aid Hatters' Union

As a result of an appeal made by Charles Morrison, representing the Hatters' union, members of all labor organizations throughout the city will be asked to contribute one hour's wages on Jan. 14, 1916, towards wiping out the \$300,000 award made recently against the union. This will be done also in all cities of the country where organized labor exists.

Trades and Labor Credentials

Credentials from the following delegates representing the Dilleria Blacksmiths' union have been received at the Trades and Labor council: Walter Chase, William White, Henry Bucher, Fred W. Ordway, Terrance Gilligan, Amos Beland, and Wesley Wiggin.

Business Dull in Collinsville

A slight depression in business is being experienced at the Beaver Brook and Merrimack Woolen mills and both plants at the present time have reduced their working forces in consequence.

The weaving department of the Beaver Brook mill is quite slack. At

the Navy Yard plant where a double shift of hands has been operating during the past few months to complete rush orders, it has been found necessary to suspend the night force, although the full complement of day help is still employed.

McMahon in Lowell

Organizer McMahon came down from Nashua on a business visit yesterday and was seen by a Sun representative. Mr. McMahon said the Nashua strike is still on and will remain so until the mill agents give the concessions asked for by the strikers. He said that 1900 strikers report at Hamlin hall, the strike headquarters, every day and receive instructions and listen to advice. Mr. McMahon does not believe there will be any more violence and he looks for an early settlement of the trouble. He will address a meeting of Greek workers to be held tomorrow morning in the basement of the Greek Orthodox church.

Plasterers Elect Officers

Members of the Plasterers' union elected officers for the ensuing year at their meeting held last night in Cotton Spinners' hall. James Wallworth was selected to occupy the head office of the organization and William McNally was selected for vice-president. Frank Warnock was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Mr. Warnock has served several years in this position. Patrick Welsh will be the new secretary. One of the most important subjects considered at the session was that of conducting a smoke talk during the first part of January. The secretary-treasurer's report showed the financial condition of the organization to be in good condition and all the members steadily employed.

STAYS IN DRY COLUMN

RECOUNT OF LICENSE VOTE IN REVERE SHOWS CITY NO BY 47 VOTES

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Revere stays dry. The recount of the license vote of Tuesday took place at Revere city hall last night in the presence of a large crowd of no-license and license workers.

A gain of one vote was made by the license men and a gain of four by the no-license men, so that the no-license majority is 47 instead of 41. The final vote was 1403 yes and 1450 no.

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Ladies' All Silk Umbrellas—Black, blue, green and red; handles to match. \$3 and \$3.50
Ladies' Suit Case Umbrellas—Black only; natural wood handles. \$1.50 Each
Children's Umbrellas. 50c, 75c, \$1.00

MEN'S UMBRELLAS

Men's 28-inch Silk Umbrellas—Silver trimmed assorted handles. \$3.00 and \$3.50 Each
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CHILD WELFARE BILLS FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER

Five Important Measures to Be Considered by Next Legislature Affecting Minors

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Five child welfare bills have been introduced in the legislature for action by the next legislature. The sponsor for all of the bills is James H. Hayes, an agent of St. Mary's infant asylum.

One of the bills provides that when a summons is issued against a minor less than seventeen years of age, charged with a misdemeanor, the parent or guardian shall be notified to be present at the hearing, such notice to be given at least sixty hours prior to the hearing.

Another prohibits the attendance of minors less than eighteen years of age at sessions of any criminal court as spectators, and imposes a fine of \$1 upon any minor attending such sessions, and also upon any court officer who permits a minor to remain in the court room.

A third provides that an assignment of wages by a parent having one or more minor children shall not be valid unless assented to in writing by the state board of charity or by the overseers of the poor of the city or town in which the assignor resides.

Still another provides that when a parent is found guilty of neglect of a minor child, the child shall be committed to the care of a probation officer, but shall remain in the custody of the parent, and the magistrate committing the child may order payment from the county treasury to the probation officer of such sums as may be necessary for the support of the child.

The fifth bill provides that claims by public institutions or incorporated charitable organizations for the support of minor children shall have precedence over assignments of wages.

HOYT.

NO. CHELMSFORD NEWS

Notes of Interest in the Town—Mills, Schools and Churches—Political and Other Items

Court Wannanahit, Catholic Order of Foresters held a well attended and interesting meeting this week in Foresters hall, Mount Pleasant street. Chief Ranger Michael J. Welsh presided.

Much interest was taken in the proceedings of the session, the business transacted including the consideration of a number of matters of great importance to the organization. Two candidates were admitted into membership with the customary degree honors and four applications for membership were received. Miss Mary K. Daley, one of the prominent members is likely to become entitled to one of the special prizes offered by High Chief Ranger Joseph T. Brennan, to these members throughout the state who bring in a certain number of candidates within a specified time.

Duty High Chief Ranger John A. Healy of Court Westford has also offered several prizes to the sister members of the North Chelmsford court who introduce the largest number of candidates within a given time, which expires next February.

The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place at the next regular meeting to be held December 23 and the following were appointed at this week's session as two separate committees to bring in a list of candidates for the different offices: Committee No. 1, Treasurer John P. McManonin, Dr. James K. Hoban and James R. Gookin; committee No. 2, P. C. A. Henry O. Miner, Fred Reidy and Adolphus Maloney.

A social hour was enjoyed after the meeting during which refreshments were served. The arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Henry O. Miner and Mrs. Michael J. Welsh.

St. John's Church

Masses at St. John's church on Sunday will be at the regular hours with Rev. Edmund T. Schofield, the pastor, as the celebrant. Rev. Fr. St. John's church in Graniteville.

The various church societies are very busy at the present time making arrangements for the Christmas services. The church and altars will be beautifully decorated and a special musical program will be given by the church choir on that day.

St. Alban's Mission

At St. Alban's mission on Christmas morning services will be held at 9 o'clock with Rev. Wilson Waters as preacher. The celebration of holy communion will take place at the service. A special musical program will be rendered by an augmented choir.

Congregational Church

Great preparations are being made for Christmas by the societies connected with the congregational church, Rev. Franklin Reeve, pastor of the church will preach at both the morning and evening services and an elaborate musical program will be carried out.

Monday night's blizzard was the means of placing the roads of the village in excellent condition. A light and a fall of another 10 inches of snow will put them in perfect state. The snow spoiled the skating at Crystal lake and Swayne's pond but coasting is now being indulged in by the majority of the young people.

Schools

The schools closed yesterday afternoon for the Christmas vacation with appropriate exercises. They will reopen on January 3.

The evening drawing school has been fully organized and will be in session two nights a week, Wednesday and Friday. The management has secured the services of Fred Swain as an instructor.

St. John's T. A. Society

Preliminary arrangements have been made for the minstrel show to be conducted by the members of St. John's Total Abstinence society and indications are that the affair will be a great success. Rev. Henry L. Scott will take an active part in helping the various committees who are to have charge of the affair. The show will be conducted during the latter part of January.

Buildings

Wotton's new three story building and the building being erected for Mrs. Adams at Stevens' corner are nearing completion and the latter will be occupied as a store by Mrs. J. Marlow within two weeks. Mr. Wotton, it is said, is contemplating leasing the lower part of the building for a market and the upper stories as tenements.

The Political Situation

Not much interest is being taken at the present time in town politics as the year is so near Christmas. The annual town meeting was announced previously and will be held the second Monday of February and several matters of im-

portance will come up for discussion. The most important of these will be a proposal for a new schoolhouse in Chelmsford Center. Nomination papers can be secured by any citizen who desires to be a candidate for any of the positions to be voted upon by securing the signatures of 20 registered voters.

Business Good

Business in the various industries remains unchanged and the workers are steadily employed. The Silesia mills are working full time days and several departments are being operated at night. The G. C. Moore mills still maintain their day and night schedule and all other workshops are busy.

ADJOURNS FOR HOLIDAYS

CONGRESS TO RECONVENE JAN. 4—EMERGENCY TAX LAW EXTENDED TO DEC. 31, 1916

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Congress adjourned last night for the Christmas holidays, after the senate had adopted the joint resolution which passed the house Thursday extending the emergency revenue law one year, or until Dec. 31, 1916.

The senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate by a vote of 45 to 29, democrats supporting it solidly and republicans unanimously opposing it.

President Wilson signed the measure last night.

Both houses will reconvene at noon Tuesday, Jan. 4, when the administration legislative program, including the plans for national defense, will be undertaken in earnest.

During the two weeks of the session the only important legislation was the extension of the year tax. This was done to prevent a lapse of the law Dec. 31 next, with the understanding that the law will be taken up for amendment, in order to increase the revenues as soon after the holidays as possible.

Discussion of war revenue resolution in the senate resolved itself into a tariff argument. Republicans assailing the Underwood law as inadequate and condemning the general fiscal policy of the administration.

Senator Underwood of Alabama, in his first senate speech, vigorously upheld the law which bears his name, and challenged republicans to compare it with the Payne-Aldrich tariff.

Republicans were greater in the first year of the present tariff law, he added, than in the last year of the Payne law.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, in response to questions favor the republicans, said he understood it to be the administration's plan to propose further revenue legislation for the holidays and that his impression was there would be no issuance of bonds to defray increased expenses of the government, including the preparedness program.

Senator Penrose insisted that the war had been a political blessing to the democratic party rather than a handicap to the successful working out of its fiscal policy.

REPORT PHILIPPINE BILL

Self-Government Bill Goes to Senate—Abuses in Islands Are Charged in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A favorable report on the administration bill to extend the measure of self-government in the Philippines was voted late yesterday by the senate Philippines committee at the conclusion of two days of hearings.

Senator Lippitt cast the only vote against the report.

The provision in the bill against polygamy was changed so as to prohibit contracting hereafter of polygamous or plural marriages.

How the Lower Prices of Necessities are Quoted—Prices Lower Than at Thanksgiving

One week from today will be Christmas and practically every housewife is making preparations for the big dinner. Although the work of selecting the necessities is a difficult task, the all-important matter is the prices of the various articles which are to make up the Christmas dinner. There is one consolation, however, that the greater part of the commodities will be cheaper than they were at Thanksgiving.

The markets are already gay with Christmas greenery, wreaths, festoons and heras and the windows are filled with gift baskets of assorted fruit and all the good things that go to make a holiday dinner. Everything is plentiful in the retail markets and provision men promise that turkeys will be several cents cheaper than at Thanksgiving.

Turkeys are selling for from 15 cents a pound up, small young turkeys varying from 25 to 28 cents per pound. Roasting chickens are listed at 25 and 28 cents per pound and broilers at 25 cents. Fresh killed western fowl is listed at 15 cents per pound and native fowl from 20 to 24 cents.

Cranberries are not as plentiful as at Thanksgiving, but there is a good supply in Lowell and although there may be a slight advance in the price it will not prevent everyone from having cranberry sauce to go with the turkey.

The price of geese and ducks is about the same as it was at Thanksgiving. Steaks vary from 18 cents for round to 24 cents for porterhouse, though some of the better quality of steaks run much higher. Chops are very reasonable, ranging from pork chops at 12 cents to veal chops at 15 cents per pound. Spring lamb is listed at 15 cents per pound while sirloin beef can be secured at 15 cents per pound and upwards.

Despite the fact that sugar took a jump of about 15 cents a barrel last week five pounds can be purchased for 23 cents. Potatoes sell at 23 cents a peck and yellow onions at 35 cents a peck.

Vegetables are listed as follows: Egg plant, 12 cents per pound; spinach, 25 cents per peck; bell peppers, 15 cents a peck; cauliflower, 10 cents per pound; watercress, 8 cents a bunch; mint, 3 cents a bunch; celery, 10 cents a bunch; parsley, 25 cents a bunch; turnips, 2 cents a bunch; carrots, 2 cents a bunch; parsnips, two pounds for 5 cents; horse radish, 10 cents a pound; cabbage, 2 cents a pound and green beans, 12 cents a quart.

Grapes are selling three for ten cents and tangerines 10 cents a dozen. Emperor grapes are seven cents a pound and Malagas 12-1-2 cents. Bananas are listed at from ten cents per dozen up and oranges, 18 cents up. Nuts are plentiful.

IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

BEAUTY IN CLEANLINESS

The first requirement of a healthy skin is to keep it clean. Early morning and late evening washings are essential to the elements, the sun, the wind and the rain. But with the advent of clothes the elements could no longer serve the purposes of the toilet of the whole body, and so the bath and its accessories in the shape of water softeners, perfumes, soaps, skin foods, and all the other appliances of a strenuous civilization came into being.

The daily bath is as essential to beauty as daily bread is to life. The skin is an organ, one and indivisible, and as such cannot be expected to be beautiful only in selected parts, as, for example, the face and neck, and perhaps the shoulders and back.

A beautiful skin is, of course, a skin that performs its natural function in the normal and harmonious way. You cannot expect that one bodily organ can be healthy in one part and unhealthy in another. Your face cannot look healthy if the rest of your skin is blotchy or discolored or otherwise abnormal.

Then the necessity of seeing that the skin of the whole body has its due need of attention. Then, and then only, is perfect beauty of complexion likely to be obtained. The ultimate object of the use of washing gloves or scented soaps and softeners, and all the other aids to beauty that litter the bathroom, is the crowning glory—a peach bloom and cream complexion.

THE FRENCH MAID SAYS:

FORGETFULNESS OF SELF

"I don't feel the Christmas spirit at all this year," complained Marjorie. "I haven't any money to make gifts with anyway and I hope no one gives me anything," she continued selfishly.

"The greatest art in the world is self-forgetfulness," said Marie. "We are so apt to think that we may be excused if we personally do not feel like rising to an occasion or entering into the spirit of this blessed holiday time. There is a college girl I know who has heavy financial losses, making her usual gifts impossible, but to assure her friends she does not forget she is writing the dearest notes on scarlet paper with gold ink, sealing the envelopes with a Christmas emblem."

"Gifts of home-made cakes, fine marmalades, nutmeg pies and cookies are acceptable to young housekeepers and college folks who may be unable to participate in the Christmas festivities at their own homes."

"Speaking of things to eat, as nearly everyone dines sumptuously in the middle of the day on Christmas, this supper was planned to satisfy but not overwork the inner man, who is generally taxed to the uttermost on feast days."

"First, there was an appetizing array of fruits in combination, served in orange cups resting on a dolly, made of oranges, grapefruit, bananas, grated pineapple, lemon juice and cherries with sugar to sweeten. It was chilled and seemed to be just the appetizer necessary."

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"Then came fried oysters, old fashioned collard, hot biscuit, potato chips, individual mounds of cranberry jelly, shrimp salad, toasted crackers, coffee, cheese, nuts, and white grapes. The sated nuts were in little sled shaped boxes and the name cards were tied to small Christmas tree boxes, which were filled with bonbons wrapped in gift paper."

AN AUTOMOBILE BILL

AFFECTING RESIDENTS WITHIN 15 MILES OF STATE LINE FILED IN LEGISLATURE

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Residents of New Hampshire living within 15 miles of the Massachusetts state line will benefit materially in the matter of their automobile licenses in Massachusetts. If the legislature passes a bill which was filed yesterday by Rep. Frederick Butler of Lawrence.

Under the law as it stands today, any resident of another state may operate an automobile in Massachusetts without securing a Massachusetts license, provided he does not come into this state for more than ten days during the year. The bill filed by Rep. Butler provides that any person living in another state, but within 15 miles of Massachusetts, may operate an automobile in Massachusetts, provided he does not go a distance of more than 15 miles from the state line, upon payment of a license fee of \$2, and any non-resident would thus be able to come into this state every day in the year for that sum, instead of the full registration fee, dependent upon horse power, which he is now required to pay in case he comes into this state more than ten days.

The Lawrence representative also filed yesterday bills providing that hereafter none but citizens shall be appointed to positions in state institutions, and that money for repairs on state institutions shall be raised by bond issues, instead of by direct taxation.

HOYT.

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That coasting accidents are now in order.

That the gas light hearing was quite illuminating.

That a few give the weather too much credit.

That the local car service is running itself lately.

That it is about time to practice writing 1916.

That a toothache is what Sherman said war was.

That "Chet" Martel is still a phenom on the arch.

That Billy Grady's pigeons are the fastest in the land.

That John E. McCallum makes an ideal townsmen.

That the pen of the critic must not touch the architect.

That the Indians know how to entertain their friends.

That there is some battle on in the City Bowling League.

That sleigh bells are much more musical than auto horns.

That Brown wonders who will make the millions next year.

That the ambulance drivers are breathing easy again.

That at least one employee at city hall is on the anxious seat.

That the Christmas tree and the music will be worth \$200.

That there are several candidates for Martin Conley's job.

That a man who carries a cane raised "cain" the other night.

That the price has gone up on second hand rubber coats.

That there are three Jimmies who are tickled with the election.

That the election of O'Donnell didn't reduce the price of turkeys.

That many a fireman's wife is tickled over the result of the election.

That there are only a few more days to do your Christmas shopping.

That you've got to hand it to Fred Lebel to preside over a smoke talk.

That Mayor-elect O'Donnell will make 'em sit up and take notice.

That the French citizens asserted their power in an emphatic manner.

That certain automobilists were serving two masters on Tuesday.

That the city messenger for 1916 will be Owen Monahan—and then some.

That somebody has learned that little Eddie will not stand for a burlasky.

That the suffragettes and the anti-saloon league will keep up the fight.

That there was some jollification at Club Lafayette last Tuesday evening.

That the elephants and skates have been polished and are kept very busy.

That "Herb" Merrill's claims were greatly enjoyed by the boys last night.

That the mayor-elect will have an opportunity to forget a lot of injuries.

That the Holly club social on Christmas eve promises to be a big success.

That if you neglect the present, you can't expect much from the future.

That the street railway men are "wearing the smile that won't come off."

That Bill has designs on the pheasant and the other Bill is watching him.

That too many punches will change both the color and the shape of the nose.

That last Monday night's storm is a slight reminder that the worst is yet to come.

That fighters appearing in police court should be sentenced to the trenches.

That if you cannot do your Xmas shopping early, you can at least get it through before Saturday.

That one of the disappointed consoling himself over 1000 on the plate at Evans' lunch room.

That the firemen were a happy lot on Tuesday night. They put up a good fight and deserved to win.

That "Dick" Flynn is the right man in the right place as president of the Lowell Nest of Owls.

That the Wiggville car tried this morning to rival the High Street and was only 25 minutes late.

That the mayor would have been better off without at least one of his newspaper friends.

That Dr. Allen thinks the new high

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school ought to be built in the vicinity of the Middlesex street depot.

That we often wonder what has become of the old-fashioned boy who used to have ribbons all winter.

That Pres. Fred Crowley of the local carmen's union is a very active and efficient official and employee.

That one way to help a girl to follow the straight and narrow path is to give her more pay.

That John Cull is an optimist. He believes that failures are often blessings in disguise.

That the little kick-up in Company C happened a month ago, but was not a mutiny.

That the many Lowell friends of Jimmie Cadogan, were delighted to learn that he was elected.

That a pessimist is a fellow who wears smoked glasses so he won't see the silver lining on the cloud.

That while all of the firemen did their share toward bringing about the one day off in five, Capt. Herb Merrill was a particularly zealous instigator.

That two years ago the O'Donnell supporters from the mayor-elect down showed that they were good losers. Here's hoping.

That the white birds which appeared near Centralville bridge during the early part of the week were not doves of peace.

That the police department should be severely censured for allowing the kidnapper to get away with the James children.

That the policeman who was told that a shoe shine would not last a week on the ice house heat has lost his smile.

That a local newspaperman who was parading around with a "nothing-to-it" banner, now realizes that there was "something to it."

That with the police department engaged in a hot campaign, it is useless

to report a kidnapping until the contest is over.

That the baseball war being settled, it would be a good idea to send Barney Dreyfus and Dan Johnson over to Europe.

That the old-fashioned man who used to get fired from his job now has a son who dres his employers before they get a chance to fire him.

That old Nick has a hand in the delays of the High Street car just to get the waiting passengers swearing around Merrimack square.

That when an agent happens to refer to father as the head of the family, mother doesn't say much, but she smiles a very sarcastic smile.

That the old saying "when a man makes his own bed let him lie in it" applies to political beds, though some people apparently aren't aware of the fact.

That the scene of the mayor and the mayor-elect shaking hands at the Indian club banquet was somewhat different from the one enacted there a few weeks ago.

That the big difference between the four-legged mule that wears harness and the two-legged mule that wears clothes is that the four-legged mule will always bring \$300 on the hoof.

That Fireman George McDermott, who after carefully guarding a squash pile all the way on a Fletcher street car, slipped while getting off at the corner of Cross street and squashed it.

That the reason you fear a girl will catch cold when she goes out in a snowstorm in a thin gown and nothing much under it but a pair of cotton stockings is because you do not know how warm-hearted she is.

That a city hall employee evidently wasted his dinner money on the election, for Wednesday he was seen putting away a plate of beans, while sitting up at the bar in a local restaurant.

That a man can live next door to another man for ten years and not know the other man's name, but a woman can live next door to another woman for ten minutes and know the whole family history of the other woman.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

OPERA HOUSE

Today is the last chance for the theatregoers of this city to see "The Law of the Land," George Broadhurst's wonderful dramatic sensation which has been playing to packed houses at the Opera House all the week and will be the biggest score by the Emerson Players since the opening of the season. There are still some good seats left which should be secured early as the demand will certainly be enormous and many will be disappointed.

Sunday afternoon and night, the Opera House will offer a great program of vaudeville and picture features with five big acts and as many reels of the newest features in photoplays, including both comedy and dramatic subjects. One of the vaudeville headliners is the Rathskeller Trio, in songs and a piano, an act which has been a grand hit in all the big cities and which offers a repertoire of the songs and line of laugh material that is sure to please Lowell theatregoers. Jack Boyce, the "prince of comedians," with a wealth of songs and jokes is another "great" act. Boyce is considered the best single entertainer in vaudeville and has a batch of chatter that will melt a city's snow from the roof.

The International Trio is another top-notch act that is sure to meet with a royal reception. It is a classy singing and dancing act which brings over with merit. Nelson Lockhart, the piano wizard is on the bill also while Andrews and Ashley offer a singing act which is one of the most pro-

nounced hits of the whole season. It is a great act.

There are two performances, the matinee starting at 2.15 while the evening performance starts at 7.30. Seats are selling in advance, the prices being 10, 15, 25 cents.

All next week, starting with a special bon bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson Players will present "The Hidden Hand," Augustus Thomas and Clayton Hamilton. This is one of the greatest successes scored on the world's stage in recent years, enjoying record-breaking runs at the Lyceum theatre in New York and the Plymouth theatre in Boston. It is also known as "Wanted—\$22,000."

"Wanted—\$22,000" tells an unusual story. The curtain rises on a dark stage with two voices being heard. One is an old man and the other young and ambitious. The older man says that the young man has a very certain time of face financial ruin. The younger man, who happens to be his son, suggests that he (the son) can make a fortune in the stock market. The older man, who is a miser, is not to be won over. The two talk it over and are almost in despair when a young lady enters, solving the problem. She has something they have thought of. The three collaborate and their success is beautifully told in this great story. There is a wonderful blend of comedy and pathos—a plot that is particularly pleasing and appealing.

This play will prove the largest success of the season. It is a sure thing to secure everywhere it is played. The Emerson Players will offer a production that will be the talk of the whole city. Patrons should arrange early to secure seats for the play, as early in the week as possible. Many will wait until the latter part of the week and will be disappointed. Arrange your tickets early and you will not miss this great play.

On Christmas day, the matinee will start at 2 o'clock instead of the usual 2.15. The Emerson Players will go on an opportunity to thoroughly enjoy their dinner and see the matinee performance. Seats are now selling for the festive week and can be secured by phoning 261 anytime from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

H. F. REITZ'S THEATRE

Tomorrow afternoon and evening an excellent list of entertainers will be provided by the management of the H. F. Reitz's theatre in the big Sunday show. These have come to be known as the very best which are given in this city on Sundays. Heading the list of acts will be Alfredo, the wonderful violinist, who will give a repertoire of numbers specially chosen for the day. Alfredo has scored very heavily during the present week, and on Sunday there will be given the most popular act to hear him for many months to come. On Tuesday he sails from New York for England, where he will appear for a period of six months. Another act on the Sunday bill which should attract much interest, is that to be given by Raymond & Caverley. They are always entertaining, and may be relied upon to give a good account of themselves. Also Master Gabriel, the little midget, will appear in recitations and songs. Rice & Franklin, in songs, and two other acts will also appear. Six reels of motion pictures will also be shown.

The feature attraction of next week's bill will be decidedly out of the ordinary and will consist of a straight melodrama of different races. Siamese Kelly and Marion Wilder will present "Melodrama—Past and Present," and they will have the assistance of Miss Dorothy Malone, violinist, and Miss Dorothy Haynes, pianist. This act is decided novelty in that the dear old songs of all peoples are brought home in a manner which invariably meets with complete approval. The story will be sung and played the love talents of the mother songs, the war numbers and the inimitable comic numbers of many races, and they will show the development of a song from the earliest times. This act is given in a manner thoroughly comprehensible by any audience, and there is no doubt as to its success.

"Doggie on a Busy Day" is the title of the rare little animal act to be given by Derkin's animal acts. The score of dogs and cats are trained to a degree of exactness that is most remarkable. The fun shown in the pantomime given by these dumb beasts will be readily appreciated. The skill of the trainer is almost completely forgotten when one watches the funny little things these animals perform.

Kennedy & Hollis, who have occasionally paid visits to this city in the past, will be seen in a brand new sketch based on college life, and called "Freshie's Initiation." These two funny men have for some time represented the college type on the vaudeville stage and they are considered to be the best personators of college-free collegians. They sing and they dance, and as comedy actors they are all sufficient. "Skeet" Gallagher and pretty Irene Martin are a quite known act. "The up-to-the-minute" pair, Mr. Gallagher is a light comedian, well known on the comic opera stage, and Mrs. Martin was a feature with Gus Edwards' Song Revue, years ago. Robinson & McShane are blackface comedians, with a lot of new patter and songs and situations to offer, and the Three Floods are comedy acrobats and pantomimists. Essie and William Ramsdell are graceful and agile dancers, and they perform admirably almost every known variety of the modern dance. Formerly they were with "The Rose Maid," "The Spring Song," "The Red Mill" and "The Tenderfoot." In addition to these acts there will be shown the Hearst-Selig News Pictorial. Good seats for all performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. Phone 25.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

One of the most elaborately staged and thrilling motion pictures ever seen here will be shown at the Merrimack Square theatre at all the performances today for the last time. This picture is the five-act Paramount feature, starring Lou Tellegen. Some of the scenes are so realistic and natural that they make you almost rise in your seat. For instance, the whipping scene, where Mr. Tellegen is tied to the whipping post and is given 50 lashes on his bare body at the order of the cruel captain, who later turns out to be his own father who left England for Algiers many years before because of disgrace. When the whipping is over his back appears to bear the bloody welts caused by the stinging blows. This is but one of the realistic incidents of this play which will be seen today for the last time. There are other excellent numbers on the bill for the last five days of this week. The main attraction in the continuous concert to be given tomorrow will be the grand feature, "The Little Dutch Girl," which is a screen adaptation of "Two Little Wooden Shoes," in which appears Vivian Martin, the perfect ingenue. This picture, which has the advantages of most beautiful settings, delightful costuming and clever characterizations, has a fine cast to support Miss Martin, including Dorothy Fairchild and others. This story is one of the most pathetic and appealing ever told upon the screen. Don't fail to see this picture and the many other entertaining pictures to be shown at the Sunday concert tomorrow.

OWL THEATRE

"The Last Concert," a heart stirring photodrama in four reels, will again be the attraction at the Owl theatre today. Featured in this great story picture is Edith Glickman, the famous emotional dramatic star, and he is ably supported by an all-star cast. A two-reel Keystone comedy and many other excellent photoplays will also be presented at the Owl today.

"KID" PARTY AT Y.M.C.A.

The following program was presented at the "KID" party held last evening by the gymnasium classes of the Young Men's Christian association:

Grand march; music, Kelsie Kringle orchestra; address of welcome, Santa Claus; Miss Doris Messer sang "Merry Christmas to You" all; recitation, Miss Stella Snow song, high school girls; violin solo, Carolyn Grab; "A Story"

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islature passes and the voters of the city accept a bill filed with the clerk of the senate yesterday afternoon by Senator-elect Edward F. McLaughlin of Boston. The bill provides:

"All persons regularly and permanently employed by any city or town in any capacity, and whose services can be dispensed with, shall be given a half-holiday on every Saturday in the year without loss of pay. In case the services of any employee cannot consistently with the public interest, be dispensed with on Saturday afternoon, he shall be given a half holiday once each week on some other day, without loss of pay.

"This act shall be submitted to the voters of each of the cities and towns of the commonwealth at the next annual state election for their acceptance or rejection, and shall take effect in any city or town upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon in the affirmative."

HALF HOLIDAY BILL

FOR ALL CITY LABORERS MAY COME BEFORE PEOPLE NEXT FALL.

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 15.—Every employee of the city of Lowell will be given a half-holiday each week, without loss of pay, if the leg-

HOYT.

To the Man Who Tends His Own Heater Fire

The worst part of the job is shoveling the fire and shovelling out ashes. You often wonder how the coal you burn can make so many ashes. Then the dust from ashes and coal dust together often make the cellar so "thick" you can hardly breathe.

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AMERICAN RAILROADS LEAD

That we have had many and serious railroad strikes in this country no one will deny, and it may be a surprise to many to learn that notwithstanding all their defects, our railroads still lead the world. Yet such seems to be the case, judging from facts and figures recently compiled by the Bureau of Railway Economics. Comparative statistics for the railroads of the United States and of 35 foreign countries serve to show the unquestionable superiority of the railroads of this country. This fact is not a strong argument for government ownership, and it will serve as a rebuke to those who propose government ownership as the best solution of our railroad problems.

With one exception, the railroads of this country pay a higher average wage than those of any other. The exception is western Australia, and there receipts per ton mile are almost twice as great as in the United States. Here, the average annual wage of the railroad employee in 1912 was \$730. In Australia, New Zealand and Canada, the average annual wage reaches one-half that amount.

While wages are higher with us, freight rates per ton mile are lower than the rates in any other country—again with one exception. The exception is India, where labor is surprisingly cheap. In almost all other countries, freight rates are 50 per cent higher than in the United States. Furthermore, in capitalization per mile, this country is exceeded by all the principal countries of the world. In the United Kingdom the rate for capitalization is \$27,147 per mile; in Belgium it is \$26,143; in Russia it is \$149,814; in France it is \$148,456; in Germany it is \$116,365. The average capitalization per mile for the United States is only \$52,335.

In one respect a superficial review shows a result unfavorable to us. That is in passenger rates which here are greater than anywhere else. Yet, in this the service of American railroads is so superior as to offset the higher cost. A comprehensive review such as this serves to warn the people against advising radical measures as a cure for our railroad defects. If we lead the world while tolerating such gross abuses, what may we not hope for when the railroads get over their present difficulties, as they seem in a fair way of doing?

VALUE OF IMMIGRANTS

If it were not such a serious matter, it would be amusing to see how quickly the sentiment of the country is changing in connection with the immigrant question.

In an address before the Credit Men's association in Boston a few days ago, Mr. Roger Babson, the well known statistician, is reported to have said: "The best crop in the country is not cotton, corn or wheat. No, the immigration crop is the most valuable. Figure it out for yourself. Estimate the cost of raising a worker from the cradle to 18 years of age, including food, clothing, education and all; and then multiply that figure by 1,000,000, and you have the value of our annual immigrant crop before the present war."

Now, provided the immigrants are desirable and provided we can take care of them and give them work, the truth of the above is obvious. When immigrants are physically strong, free from mental taint and anxious to become Americanized they are desirable, and there is work in plenty for all, with proper distribution. When we see the marvelous exploits of Germany during the present war and then reflect that Germany has 70 millions of people in an area about the size of Texas, it seems foolish to fear a surplus due to immigration. Only a year or so ago many influential persons and papers were warning the nation against the danger of unrestricted immigration, and the agitation blossomed out into a few congressional fights on the "literacy test" proposition.

Now, when the war has done the work of the literacy test, only far more effectively, it is beginning to dawn on our leaders that immigration is really a great factor for the progress and the prosperity of the United States.

There is a great opportunity for economic development in this country, not the least important phase of which shall be the utilization of the immigrant who in this stage of our development is a great boon to industrial America.

HAS THE TIME COME?

General Will, commander-in-chief of the Swiss army and a staunch soldier, has declared his belief that the time has come for successful mediation between the warring powers by President Wilson and Pope Benedict. These two personages, he says, represent "the two most powerful forces in the world," and it is his belief that an appeal backed by all neutrals would be welcomed by all of the belligerents. That Germany and Austria would listen to peace proposals is the popular conviction, but would the allies be willing to make terms? As yet, there have been few notable victories against the Germans who are in the best strategic position to make

peace, were it not for the exhaustion which is threatening their armies and their domestic organization. The allies, to be sure, suffer from the same influences that operate against the Germans, but scarcely to such an extent. Yet, it may be that all would welcome mediation with an eye to a settlement. If the time has come, as the eminent Swiss commander declares, an offer towards mediation must be near as both President Wilson and Pope Benedict are eager to be of service to a war-sickened world. As yet there has been no definite offer of such mediation, and we can only watch and wait.

DIPLOMACY

Professor Wilson, teacher of international law at Harvard, recently spoke on international relationships in this city, and in the course of his address he said that, to understand the language of diplomacy, as used in Europe, one has to read between the lines and then use the imagination to get the real meaning, or any meaning at all, of the note or message. Like the sword of fable, threats and hints at trouble ahead are so beautifully wreathed in garlands of rhetoric that a murderous message looks like a bouquet. Among the masters of diplomacy and diplomatic language, few have shone out as brilliantly as Premier Asquith, who has the happy faculty of meeting the most pointed question with a suave answer that turns away wrath and yet gives only such information as Mr. Asquith means to give—generally very little. A friendly caricature of him in a London illustrated paper recently carried this subscription: "I cannot understand how anything I may or may not have said could or could not have given anyone any impression whatever." Sheer nonsense, and yet it is redolent of the famous Asquith answers that will get some notice in English history.

A TIMELY WARNING

Chief Edward F. Saunders of the fire department issues a timely warning against fires that result from Christmas decorations, and more specifically from lighted candles on Christmas trees. There has been many fires in this city and all cities from this source, but the sweeping campaigns for fire prevention have done a great deal to show the people that safety should never be lost sight of, no matter how pressing the temptations to invade danger become. The usual Christmas decorations include paper ornaments and tinsel, and when children and even adults are happy and more or less excited, a proper degree of caution is rarely observed. If Christmas trees are lighted with electric bulbs, there is little or no danger, but the use of candles involves a very definite risk. While this warning of our fire chief is directly applicable to most homes where there are children, it also refers to churches and organizations that make a special effort to decorate Christmas. It is well to decorate and to be joyous, but pleasure should never be purchased at the risk of serious loss. The ounce of prevention is worth as much as Christmas as at any other time of the year.

CIVIC ADVERTISING

Recently some copies of a little journal which was printed to advertise a thriving city have come to this office. The journal is "The Newarkeer" and it is by far the best, most artistic and most up-to-date paper of the kind that we have seen for many moons. Destined to boom the 230th anniversary of Newark, N. J., and published monthly, by the committee of one hundred, as a record of work and a program of events for Newark's celebration in 1917, it carries a message of Newark enterprise all over the country. Incidentally it tells of methods of civic advertising that leave little to be said or done. Such worthy effort deserves rich fruition and it is to be hoped that Newark in 1916 will be a miniature reflex of San Francisco in 1915. In such campaigns there is inspiration for all cities, and, looking at the Newarkeer, we could not help wondering if a similar Lowell journal would look as good to an editor in Newark, N. J.

AND SHE FLEW

Out in San Diego an old woman who did not have the excuse of the old woman who wanted to sweep the clouds off the sky decided that she would like to fly. She was 74 or thereabouts, and should have gotten over such giddy notions, but she had a wild desire to "fly once before retiring to a quiet life," she said. The aviator started with his passenger who got excited and acted strangely that she got him all mixed up so he and the machine and the lady fell into San Diego bay. She had down, and she found more quarters than she sought. Moral: When you have kept on the ground for 74 years, leave flying to the chickens, and keep on the feet that have served you well for such a long span. Flights of any kind are dangerous at 74.

SEEN AND HEARD

One of the finest things about the happy home life is the occasional pe-

riod when there are no guests to entertain.

Good One on Barrett

Wilson Barrett, the celebrated actor, used to tell an amusing story against himself. At a time when he had a lot of workmen redecorating his private residence, thinking to give them a treat, he asked if after work one evening, they would like to have some to go and see him play in "The Lights of London," at the Princess theatre. They said they didn't mind if they did, and, being complimentary tickets, all went on a Saturday night to see their employer's performance.

At the end of the week Barrett's eye caught sight of the item against each workman's name on the pay sheet: "Saturday night, Four hours overtime at Princess theatre, eight shillings."—Boston Post.

Tramping on Hannagan

Campaign cards do not lose all their usefulness even after the campaign is over. Some need keep them handy to write memoranda on the back, others utilize them for various purposes where small pieces of pasteboard come in handy, but some boys on Common street this morning had found a new use for them. They had a dozen or more of them and were engaging in some sort of game with them. One of them had dropped to the sidewalk just as an officer happened along, and the little fellow, who had them was not altogether careful to preserve his immaculate appearance. He nearly jumped out of his skin when the officer shouted at him: "Hey, there, don't walk all over Alderman Hannagan's face!"—Lawrence Telegram.

Kipling and His Check

The present crusade in England in favor of thrift recalls an amusing story about Rudyard Kipling. At one time the famous author always used to pay his bills, no matter how small they happened to be, by check. After a while he discovered to his amazement that his banking account showed a larger balance than the counterfoils of his checkbook warranted. In fact, although he was drawing checks for small amounts almost daily, his money at the bank did not seem to dwindle in the least.

For a long time he was at a loss to account for this astonishing fact, until one day, happening to visit an office where he found a man who was an enthusiastic autograph collector, he saw one of his own checks framed and hanging on the wall.

Then it was that the mystery was solved. It appeared that the local shopkeepers found that they could get more for Kipling's checks by selling them to autograph hunters than they could by cashing them at the bank, and thus it was that, although the author kept on drawing money, his capital remained almost stationary.—Exchange.

Driven From Home

She said "Spell 'indisposition'." And I did, and spelled it right; It was from the spelling book that night; That she had brought home that night; Then she told me to spell "courage," And I did it, then I said: "I am not a good speller, a moment." I stayed till she was in bed!

Next night she said "Spell 'evolution'." And I spelled it, and spelled it right; And I said "By Jingo-Johnson!" I must pay a debt I owe To the grocer on the corner." So I grabbed my hat and slid; And I did not come back home till Sleep had come and claimed the kid.

And the next night I was happy 'Till she got her book out; Then she looked at a little bit of lesson And said, "Daddy, spell 'cayenne'." And I spelled it, and skedaddled; To stay till she went to bed; I'm a man without a country.

Or a roof above my head! Time was when my life was happy In my little hickory cot; When through the long winter even I would sit and read a book; But now she has spelling lessons Which she studies until late, And which she tries to tell me, till I Drop my book and pull my freight.

"If there's half a million gallons In a small half-acre lake, How deep is the lake?" she asked me; I said: "Well, I've got to take An important sort of message To the man who lives next door." And I did, and stayed till bedtime; I have no home any more!—Judd M. Lewis in the Houston Post.

The Cat and the Sniper

How a cat at the front led to the killing of a sniping soldier, the famous story is related by Louis Wain, the famous

cat artist. "Pussy sat upon the top of the trench and watched undisturbed the explosion of a constant rain of shells round about her, with no other movement than an occasional twitch back of the ears or a bristling of the whiskers, but the cat had a mission, for her eyes were fixed on one particular spot of apparently harmless overgrowth of vegetation close down in a hollow. While staring in this direction she occasionally put her ears back for a moment and then righted them.

Her action looked suspicious and consequently a periscope was called into requisition for the purpose of verifying, if possible, her movements. Nothing could be discovered, but a suspicion arose that might be a sniper, consequently the fact was telephoned to our battery. A couple of shells were thereupon burst in the vegetable growth, with the result that the body of a German sniper was disclosed, broken up by the shells. The cat could not see the sniper, but her keen hearing caught the ring of the rifle, and thus, by her actions, enabled the battery to be caught. The sniper let the cat alone, as he was apparently a guide to the German artillery to aim at the trenches.—Tit-Bits.

TO PAY TITANIC CLAIMS

WHITE STAR LINE AGREES TO DISBURSE \$604,000 AMONG THOSE WHO LOST RELATIVES

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The White Star Line has agreed to pay \$604,000 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than 1500 persons were drowned, attorneys for the line announced here yesterday.

Of this amount, approximately \$500,000 would be distributed among American claimants, \$50,000 to British claimants and \$114,000 would be required for interest and expenses increasing with the numerous suits.

Forty-four attorneys, representing that number of persons out of more than 60 who have filed claims against the line, have signified their willingness to accept the settlement terms, according to George W. Betts, Jr., one of the line's attorneys.

The proposition grew out of the activities of the claimants' committee, appointed last summer, which carried on a long investigation and fixed the total claims at \$2,500,000. As about \$500,000 would be paid directly to American claimants, Mr. Betts explained that each one would receive approximately 20 per cent of his claim. Under no circumstances, he added, will the money be distributed pro rata among the claimants.

If all the claimants, both in this country and Great Britain, agreed to the proposition, the White Star Line will be released from all further liability growing out of the Titanic disaster. The offer, however, is not contingent upon its acceptance by all claimants. Mr. Betts said that all who accept the proposition will receive their proper share. If any claimants do not accept their cases will be carried on in the courts.

The agreement, which calls for the money to be deposited in a New York bank, is now being circulated among those having claims, and must be accepted by Dec. 30, to become operative.

GERMAN SCHOOLS CLOSED

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Saloniki correspondent of the Havas Agency sends the following: "A representative of the minister of communications has arrived in order officially to turn over to the allied military authorities the railroads of central Macedonia. The Greek government will assume management of the public works of Saloniki, owned by strangers to avoid the consequences of war."

"The German schools at Saloniki have closed their doors. Red Cross organizations coming from Serbia have received an order to leave immediately for Durazzo, (Albania)."

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THWART PLAN TO ESCAPE

THREE CONVICTS SAWED BARS PREPARATORY TO DART FOR LIBERTY

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—A plan by which three prisoners in the house of correction on Deer Island hoped to escape on Christmas eve was thwarted through discoveries made last night by Constable L. Brett, master of the institution and David H. Shaw, penal commissioner. According to Brett, the three men, all considered by the authorities as dangerous criminals, had partly sawed the bars of their cells with hacksaw blades from the engine room. Brett and Shaw, who had been informed by another prisoner that an attempted break was under way, concealed themselves in the building with their three men last night and overheard their discussion of their plans. Brett said that this conversation revealed that the men had intended to climb into the open on Christmas eve when they were to be set at the shore of the island with a boat to be furnished by another prisoner whose term was to expire that day.

COSTELLO WILL CASE

JUDGE MCINTIRE WILL CERTIFY THAT THERE IS A CASE FOR JURY TRIAL

After hearing the evidence in the will case of the late Mr. Melinda Costello, Justice McIntire of the probate court suggested that he was ready to certify that in his opinion there is a proper case to be tried before a jury in case the contestants desire a jury trial, and accordingly the case was continued over till next term of the superior court.

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL

Christmas exercises were held at the Riverside school yesterday, the following program being carried out: Chorus, Mark; The Herald Angels Sing; Reading, Christmas Giving and Christmas Living; Edna Parker; Recitation, Just For Christmas; Semi-chorus, A Holy Night; Viola Bell; Chorus, The Christmas Carol; Gagnon, Bernice Grant; Bernice Gagnon, Marion Jones, Lena Bowden, Blanch Mortimer; Reading, The Birds' Christmas Carol; Edna Manning and Chrystal Perkins; Viola Bell.

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THE ASCENSION SOCIETY

The 25th anniversary of the "Ascension Society" was celebrated yesterday, it may be said that the organization has rounded up a quarter century of helpful work in Lowell.

The "Ascension Society" in the United States. Persons assisted 79,110 from 20 bureaus and 19 houses of the society. Positions obtained 2,550. Miles walked in visits made for charity, 14,500. Free meals, 25,500. Donations received: \$1,000.00 Col. and Mrs. J. J. Williams 100.00 Late Mrs. Rev. J. J. Williams 100.00 P. P. Hamilton 100.00 Mrs. Mary J. Johnson 10.00 Rev. Francis Sullivan, Lowell 10.00 Rev. Monsignor O'Brien 5.00 A priest 2.00 All other donations 2.00
Two houses and one school carried on by the society in Lowell.
No deaths in the society during first 25 years. The society has been in existence since 1890. Its work has been in the home, in the school, in the church, in the hospital, in the prison, in the almshouse, in the orphanage, in the insane asylum, in the leprosy hospital, in the tuberculosis hospital, in the cancer hospital, in the syphilis hospital, in the skin hospital, in the eye hospital, in the ear hospital, in the nose hospital, in the throat hospital, in the lung hospital, in the heart hospital, in the kidney hospital, in the liver hospital, in the stomach hospital, in the intestines hospital, in the bladder hospital, in the prostate hospital, in the testis hospital, in the ovary hospital, in the uterus hospital, in the vagina hospital, in the cervix hospital, in the pelvis hospital, in the perineum hospital, in the rectum hospital, in the sigmoid hospital, in the colon hospital, in the small intestine hospital, in the large intestine hospital, in the appendix hospital, in the gallbladder hospital, in the pancreas hospital, in the spleen hospital, in the liver hospital, in 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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

Political Gossip of the Capital— President Wilson Declines to Smoke Pipe of Peace

Special to The Sun
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The week past has been principally devoted to handshaking, so far as outward appearance tells the story. Scarcely had the democratic national committee completed its work, fixed a convention date and shaken hands all around as evidence of harmony and good fellowship towards the throngs of men who filled every hotel to the brim, than the republicans gathered here for the same purpose. They too shook hands all around and offered sugar-coated claims of favorite sons, for the presidential election. They slipped right into the places made vacant by departing democrats, and they too banqueted, sang songs of praise and cried harmony. It was noticeable that no open declaration of a probable candidate came from even the boosters of men supposed to be towards the front in the line of a dozen or more men present who signed their names to the one selected. It was a case of "Barkle is willing" applying to eleven of the men attending the republican banquet, and the democrats smiled complacently as they realized that this year, at least, they need not meet a divided party at the convention.

Too Mealy Mouthed
Representative Longworth said the republican party is "too mealy mouthed" and perhaps that had something to do with their decision to step lively and hold their convention June 7th instead of letting it follow the democratic convention later in the month. The last democratic convention ran into July and the temperature at Baltimore touched three figures of the most sweltering heat imaginable before it was closed. People who sat day and night through that experience are openly rejoicing that the dates this year give promise of better weather. Every one is preparing for a very long session, and men who live within a reasonable distance of Washington are going home for the holiday recess, to get a last breath of freedom. There won't be a baker's dozen senators and representatives in town by the time the recess begins.

Women Suffragists Blocked
Women suffragists who have been rounding up senators and representatives haven't been shy about pleading the cause. The street cars have been patronized by women wearing huge placards "Votes for Women" and the corridors of the capital have been crowded with advocates of suffrage. The attempt to get an opportunity to speak from the floor of the house failed. At the moment the matter was brought up for consideration, the galleries were filled with women who eagerly watched and listened. Representative Nolan of California submitted the request. There was a moment of silence, then Page of North Carolina rose and addressed the speaker. All eyes were turned in his direction to hear a burst of eloquence. It came in two words. "I object," said the Carolinian. "That settles it," said the speaker, who is a suffragist. "I move we adjourn," shouted Floor Leader Kitchin—and adjournment was made on the instant, while Nolan and Page were still on their feet and the handsomely dressed women in the gallery still watched and listened. Later in the week followed another unexpected blow to the suffragists.

Representative Durns of South Carolina introduced a resolution to investigate the alleged lobby of women to influence national legislation. It asked for an investigation regarding the expenditure of \$10,000 that the Women's Congressional union is said to have raised for that purpose. When the matter was brought to the attention of the women at the headquarters, they are said to have replied: "We have got \$800 more since then," and smiled defiantly.

Declines Pipe of Peace
A few days ago Little Man, Brain-Good and an interpreter who had come on from Oklahoma to sell some lands, called on the president. Little Man, who has two wives and five children and who says he is thinking of marrying again soon, was greatly interested in the news of the president's approaching marriage. Attracted in the first regalia of their tribe—beads, feathers, mocassins and blouses—this small but picturesque delegation made the presidential office look like a wigwam. Little Man uttered a great number of grunts and growls which the interpreter unraveled and told the president were congratulations on the coming marriage. When upon the president shook hands all around and thanked them, he declined to smoke with them, however, and it had to be explained to the visitors that the pipe of peace is not the custom here. Learning this they at once conformed to modern methods and did not resort to the act as unfriendly. After a few more grunts and growls, signifying their good feeling for the "Great White Father," they stolidly left the room, taking with them expressions of good will from President Wilson to their tribe. In the far west.

Postmaster General's Dinners
Postmaster General and Mrs. Burdison have instituted a novel and what in these trying diplomatic times may prove a difficult series of dinners, attended by many distinguished guests. At the dinner given last week a Mexican menu was prepared, the table decorations were in the favorite Mexican colors. Things were served in true Mexican style and the high seasoning and abundance of garlic were not omitted, so the guests say. Dinner to specialize the customs of other countries will follow from time to time, for the Burdisons are lavish entertainers, and have two very attractive daughters.

Newspapermen Prominent
The congressional directory, in its list of biographies, shows that with the single exception of lawyers, newspapermen compose the greatest number of any one profession represented in senate and house of the 64th congress. Their former positions ranged from typesetters to editors and publishers, and some are even now actively engaged in the work. Of these in New England who have in the past or now have a hand in newspaper business are Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire who began business life as a printer; Senator Burleigh of Maine, publisher of the Kennebec Journal; Senator Johnson of Maine, a large owner in the Waterville Sentinel; Representative Asher Hinds of Maine, who was editor of a Portland newspaper before entering on a political career, and Representatives Galvin and Walsh of Massachusetts who were both active newspaper men.

Col. Cody's View
Col. Cody, of wild west fame and one of the most fearless army guides known, is in town, and states that all through the far west there is a strong sentiment for preparedness. Said he:

"I spoke to more than a million people last summer and fall and wherever I mentioned preparedness it was received with most wonderful demonstration of approval." Col. Cody has just finished a lecture tour of wide scope.

Congressional Library
The great library of congress, which is housed in the most beautiful building on this continent, reports that on its shelves are 2,363,573 volumes and additional prints, charts and pieces of music numbering upwards of a half-million more. In the collection are many rare manuscripts and historic papers.

RICHARDS.

REPORT OF BIRTHS

- Dec. 2.—To Mr. and Mrs. William A. Weld, of 56 Epping street, a son, 252 Bridge street, a son.
- 3.—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pucella, of 81 West Third street, a son.
- 4.—To Mr. and Mrs. Maurice O'Connor, of 221 Broadway, a son.
- 5.—To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Johnson, of 70 Main street, a son.
- 6.—To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stoddard, of 67 Mt. Grove street, a daughter.
- 8.—To Mr. and Mrs. Jan Zurawski, of 88 Common street, a son.
- 9.—To Mr. and Mrs. David Frawley, of 51 Eustis avenue, a daughter.
- 10.—To Mr. and Mrs. Olliver Reckette, of 21 Merrimack street, a daughter.
- 11.—To Mr. and Mrs. James Castiglione, of 40 Lewis street, a son.
- 12.—To Mr. and Mrs. Mary Ann Cymbura, of 58 William street, a daughter.
- 13.—To Mr. and Mrs. Jan Znoj, of 172 Warren street, a son.
- 14.—To Mr. and Mrs. Edna Lambert, of 225 Christian street, a daughter.
- 15.—To Mr. and Mrs. William Photopoulos, of 170 Suffolk street, a daughter.
- 16.—To Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Boltsvert, of 21 Hancock avenue, a daughter.
- 17.—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mahon, of 2 Summer street court, a son.
- 18.—To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gacek, of 4 Sullivan street, a son.
- 19.—To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Bean, of 884 Moody street, a daughter.
- 20.—To Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Beauregard, of 5 Frye street, a daughter.
- 21.—To Mr. and Mrs. Joaquin P. Nabreza, of 120 Charles street, a son.
- 22.—To Mr. and Mrs. Bill Antonio, of 62 Cabot street, a son.
- 23.—To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brunelle, of 21 Coolidge street, a son.
- 24.—To Mr. and Mrs. John B. McMenamin, of 110 Ford street, a daughter.
- 25.—To Mr. and Mrs. John B. McMenamin, of 110 Ford street, a daughter.
- 26.—To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Routhier, of 5 Pollard avenue, a son.
- 27.—To Mr. and Mrs. John Lambros, of 128 Adams street, a son.
- 28.—To Mr. and Mrs. George Metropoulos, of 15 Fenwick street, a daughter.
- 29.—To Mr. and Mrs. James Devlin, of 164 Warren street, a son.
- 30.—To Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Sousa, of 22 Union street, a daughter.
- 31.—To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Pappas, of 24 Prince street, a son.
- 32.—To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marudell, of 141 Chapel street, a daughter.
- 33.—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Webb, of 31 West Bowers street, a son.
- 34.—To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turcotte, of 158 Grand street, a son.

BELAND FOR RINTELEN

GERMANY SEEKS TO SAVE ALLEGED SPY—WOULD GIVE UP FORMER POSTMASTER-GENERAL
MONTREAL, Dec. 12.—The German government has offered to exchange Dr. Henri S. Beland, former postmaster general of Canada, for Capt. Franz von Rintelen, according to advices received here yesterday by Arthur Borenman, a former member of parliament. Dr. Beland was captured at the fall of Antwerp.

Capt. von Rintelen was removed by British officers from a steamer while on route from the United States to Holland. He has been held as a prisoner of war in England ever since, and several reports stated he was in the Tower of London, under sentence of death for espionage.

He has been named many times recently as having directed a conspiracy to foment strikes in munitions plants in the United States, and is under indictment at New York for obtaining a false passport, on which he was travelling when taken prisoner by the British.

The communications to Mr. Eretment was from Prof. Borden, who said that Andrew Bonar Law, British colonial secretary, had requested the authorities to petition for Dr. Beland's release. The communication stated that Cardinal Gasparri, after outlining the steps taken by the Vatican toward securing Dr. Beland's liberty, in a letter to Sir Harry Haward, British representative at the Vatican, wrote: "The panel panela at Munich has been informed by the German government that the liberation of Dr. Beland would be effected as soon as the British government acceded former Capt. Rintelen, now held prisoner in England, his freedom. I hope that the British government will have no difficulty in acceding to the proposition of the German government, and that it will be possible for both prisoners to obtain their liberty."

SCARED OFF BURGLAR

WOMAN, BOUND AND GAGGED ROLLED TO TELEPHONE AND GAVE ALARM

WORCESTER, Dec. 12.—Bound hand and foot, and with a gag in her mouth, Miss Celia White raked an alarm that drove burglars from the home of her employer yesterday before they could secure any loot. The girl is employed as a maid in the family of Saul Lighman at 53 Coral street, and was alone in the house with a small baby when two men entered the back door with a key. They approached her from behind as she was cleaning a floor, with the baby nearby on a couch.

The burglars tied a rope from a child's sled in the yard and with it they bound Miss White's ankles and wrists together and then joined the ropes that tied the legs and arms. They gagged her with a piece of cotton cloth and started ransacking the house. Miss White rubbed her head against the floor and got her mouth free and then rolled herself along the floor to a sewing machine, where the telephone was.

She jerked the receiver off the hook. She then shouted "help! burglars!" until the operator heard and immediately sent an emergency call to police headquarters. The telephone exchange girls were able to direct the police to the right house.

A squad of officers was sent from Station 2 and they found Miss White bound hand and foot on the floor. She was hysterical, but was able to give a description of the two burglars to the police. One of the men weighed 200 pounds and the other 145, according to her description.

The burglars broke open chests and trunks, smashed bureau drawers and started systematically through the house, but Miss White had freed herself from the gag and had frightened them out with her screaming before they reached a bureau in which considerable money was kept. The intruders went out the front door, locking it behind them and taking the key.

The families on the second and third floors heard nothing of the trouble on the first floor, except the crying of the Lighman baby when Miss White was helpless. The police are making general search for the burglars.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The original Rathborn pipe was smoked in turn by members of Wamec lodge, 25, Knights of Pythias, at its regular meeting held last evening in the headquarters at Marlboro street.

The pipe was the one used by the founder of the order, Justin T. Rathborn, and was brought to Lowell especially for last evening's occasion. A musical program was presented, including piano selections by William H. McElroy, vocal selections by Donald Hanson and John Meyers, and readings by Mr. O'Donnell. There were also quartet selections.

Passacaway Tribe

The following officers were elected at last evening's meeting of Passacaway tribe, L.O.R.M.: Figgbet, William H. Martin, secretary; James A. Shore, senior saganamore; Everett R. Merrill; junior saganamore, Walter G. Ryan; keeper of wampum, Edward T. Goward; chief of record, Arthur W. Garland; collector of wampum, Edmund Crompton. The installation of officers will be held at the second meeting in January, 1916, which is a duty great sachem, H. H. Wright of Wonalancet Lawrence tribe will be present with a full suite to raise the chiefs to their various stumps. The tribe stood in silence for a moment in respect to the memory of the late chief and brother, W. W. Simpson, who died on Dec. 4, and was buried in Grove cemetery, Belfast, Me., a large number of Red Men of that reservation attending.

Lowell Council, Royal Arcanum

Regent Guernsey presided at the regular meeting of Lowell council, R.A., held Thursday evening. As a mark of respect to the memory of the late Brother James Murkland, the members stood in silence while Brother Jackson sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Under the good of the order remarks were made by Brothers Jackson, Doves and White, all dwelling upon the good work the order is doing for its members, and especially for the widows and orphans of deceased members. Whist was enjoyed, the prize winners being Brothers H. Carpenter and J. Buchanan.

Division 1, A.O.H.

At this week's meeting of Division 1, A.O.H., the election of officers was held with the following result: President, George F. O'Meara; vice president, Martin McCarthy; financial secretary, Jas. A. Sheehan; recording secretary, Michael Casey; treasurer, Thomas Sheedy; physician, Dr. John Boyle; sentinel, John O'Hare. The installation of the officers will take place in the near future in conjunction with the other four divisions, by the president of the Middlesex county board from Waltham. Sub-committees will meet tomorrow morning to make plans for a smoke talk to be held the first meeting in January.

Minnequa Council

Minnequa council, 72, Daughters of Pocahontas, has elected the following officers: Proprietress, Jennie Elliott; Pocahontas, Mary Hehe; Wonnah, Elva J. Barnes; Pocahontas, Jennie Elliott; keeper of records, Sybil M. Higby; collector of wampum, Clara Donovan; keeper of wampum, Mary McKinnon; trustee for three years, Lilla J. Brown. One application for membership was received and one paleface was adopted. Deputy Great Pocahontas Lizzie Wyman and suite will be present on the first Wednesday in January to raise the chiefs to their respective stumps. A supper will be served on that evening to members of the order.

SUICIDE IN CELL

"Forger King" Ends Life by Hanging in Charles Street Jail

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Made desperate by the sorrow his arrest had brought to his trusting wife, and fearing the outcome of the nation-wide investigation that the police were making concerning him, George L. Randerson, the self-styled "King of Forgers," who in 26 years of ill-fort but skillful operating had amassed a fortune, committed suicide by hanging in the Charles street jail at 7:45 last night.

He brought about his death with the same cunning that characterized his check operations.

After his arrest, for the first time since his marriage, Randerson said that he had nothing to live for.

He knew, too, that the police probably would disclose that he was not only a skillful forger, but a member of a crew of safe crackers, who were plotting to make a Christmas haul in this city.

Although Randerson did not know it, the police had taken into custody only an hour before Randerson killed himself, John P. Rogers, alias "Brooklyn Jimmy," who, the police say, is an alleged safe burglar and a supposed accomplice of his.

Randerson showed the first symptoms of despondency on Wednesday evening, according to Sheriff Quinn. He went a lot and talked incessantly of his loving and trusting wife in Albany, who imagined that he was an honest traveling salesman.

Randerson was a slightly built, nervous man. He was watched closely after the breakdown, but Thursday and yesterday seemed more cheerful, although the jailers did not relax their vigilance.

The forger had a piece of rope—how he obtained it nobody at the jail knew. Possibly he had used it as a belt. This he fastened around an upper bar in an opening in his cell facing the corridor.

Over the rope he spread a towel. Placing one end of the rope around his neck, he stood behind a wall between the opening and the cell door and dropped to the cell floor, the pressure on the throat slowly, but surely strangling him.

Patrick J. Barrett of South Boston, a jail guard, found the suicide. He looked into the cell, found the bunk unoccupied and, pushing away the towel, saw Randerson unconscious on the floor.

Barrett notified Sheriff Quinn and Deputy Sheriff Kelley and while they were communicating with Dr. Cilley the jail physician and Dr. White of the Massachusetts General hospital he tried to revive the prisoner by artificial respiration. The body was warm and the guard thought he could detect signs of life. Dr. Cilley and Dr. White, the latter with two assistants, soon arrived and found the prisoner dead.

Sheriff Quinn said that he was certain that Randerson had been more suffering from an attack of blues, but that the prisoner had been watched as closely as possible.

Randerson was no ordinary prisoner, the authorities say. He was arrested Thursday afternoon of last week by Inspector Gleaves of police headquarters at the Parker house.

If the story that Randerson told at the time is true, a tragedy might have occurred then had he been quick enough.

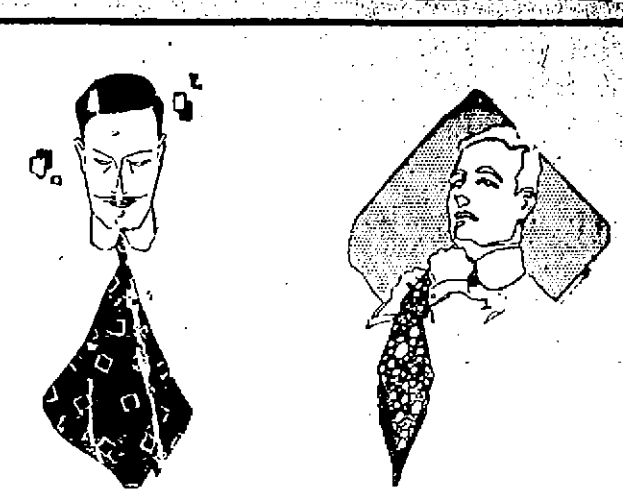
Randerson's story was that he had two pals waiting in the vicinity of the hotel, and had he raised his hat one of these men would have shot his captor down.

The night of his arrest Chief Inspector McGarr and Capt. Augustus had a squad of picked men scouring the city, hunting for the supposed accomplices.

Last night it was unofficially stated that Randerson when arrested had in his possession a card bearing the name of Rogers, alias "Brooklyn Jimmy," who was arrested in a department store last night by Detectives Towle and Dorsey of police headquarters.

MUNITIONS PLANT BLOWN UP

PARIS, Dec. 17.—The newspaper La Liberte says that the official report on the recent explosion at the Belgian



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SUFFRAGE CONVENTION
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The final business session of the annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association was held today. The convention will close with a public mass meeting tomorrow.

Delegates today still were discussing the proposal, rejected at yesterday's session, that the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage renew its affiliation with the National association. Authority was voted, however, for conferences between legislative committees of the two bodies in an effort to secure the passage of the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage amendment in the present congress.

CONFERENCE ON WAR

WORCESTER, Dec. 12.—The possibilities of mediation and lessons to be learned by the United States from the war were among the topics considered on the final day of the Clark university conference on the war. The speakers included Prof. Emily G. Balch of Wellesley college, Congressman Warren W. Ballou of Pennsylvania and Francis Neilson, member of the British parliament.

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ON THE ALLEYS

Many League Games Were Rolled Last Evening—The Scores

The minor league bowlers were the attraction on the local alleys last night and many games were played. While none of the scores were of the record-breaking character some close and interesting contests were in order. Two games were played in Carr's league. The Bunting club started off well, but after the first string found the traveling very hard and dropped the other three to the Congress club. Burke of the winning aggregation was the only man to shoot over the 300 mark. In the game between the Machine Shop and Lanson Rapids, the former team won three out of the four points.

When the Calumet and the Red Sox clashed in the Crescent league there was nothing to be seen of the latter team burying the Red Sox to the tune of 1352 to 1106. The game between the Zeno Fife and Bunting A. A. proved to be a good one, but the latter team took three of the four points.

In the Y.M.C.A. league the Wolves had it all their own way in the game with the Fairmounts. Five games were played in the Lawrence Mfg. Co. league. The Hose Finishes won three from the Shipping department, the Web Knit took three from the Hose Knit, the Bunting dropped three to the Shirt Finish, the Web Knit won three from the Hose Finishes, and the Bunting won three of the four points from the Hose Finishes.

The Shippers of the Saco-Lowell league started off by losing the first string but then won the next two and also took the total pinfall.

The scores:

CARR'S LEAGUE				
Congress Club				
Kraline	98	98	107	235
O'Connell	73	85	101	262
Burke	86	106	113	205
Burns	89	110	92	282
Totals	422	476	508	1102

Innings				
Coleman	88	90	92	281
Van Zant	78	84	92	254
Cameron	85	95	92	272
Burke	108	108	82	298
Riley	108	100	85	293
Totals	453	474	453	1330

Machine Shop				
Stadler	107	102	91	300
Grant	83	82	79	244
Laurin	80	80	85	245
A. Dyer	80	125	108	313
Totals	347	489	413	1307

Lanson Rapids				
Roudreau	106	82	82	270
Loranger	91	73	74	238
Burns	80	105	103	291
McMahon	83	87	81	251
Rumpley	113	102	81	296
Totals	476	413	413	1350

Crescent League				
Columbus				
Ringers	85	105	81	271
Powers	83	100	83	266
Hamming	92	87	82	261
Magnus	91	89	89	269
Totals	461	483	423	1334

Red Sox				
Dietcher	81	97	83	261
Whitney	77	85	86	248
Flanders	77	78	85	240
Therney	71	74	83	228
Curt	84	71	80	235
Totals	399	388	413	1160

Zeno Fife				
Queenan	77	79	82	238
Montgomery	110	76	106	322
Concannon	91	89	89	269
Beardon	84	80	91	255
Gordon	88	83	110	281
Totals	459	413	475	1351

Hunting A. A.				
W. Roberts	95	86	90	271
Couty	88	88	73	249
Perkins	81	112	92	285
Chiquito	81	102	96	283
Backley	112	115	99	326
Totals	483	503	459	1431

Y.M.C.A. LEAGUE				
Wolves				
Davis	86	91	101	278
Loughran	91	80	87	258
Quinlan	103	89	88	280
McMahon	88	88	83	259
Thomas	84	85	83	252
Totals	449	439	413	1301

Enterprise				
Pencult	79	83	80	242
Connor	81	88	83	252
Polton	88	88	88	264
Gillis	75	74	69	218
King	100	95	90	285
Totals	411	406	400	1217

Lawrence Mfg. League				
Shipping Dept.				
Gendreau	81	92	83	256
Levey	88	88	81	257
Clay	87	104	107	298
Hunt	81	82	87	250
Chase	88	88	89	265
Totals	440	447	448	1344

Hose Finishes				
Geoffrey	125	104	85	314
Pineault	106	78	85	269
Prappier	89	85	81	255
Martin	83	125	88	301
Akerley	83	83	88	254
Totals	487	463	432	1382

Hose Knit				
Sewell	106	85	81	272
Fowler	84	84	114	282
Lavallee	95	78	82	255
Mallory	83	93	80	256
Hague	88	84	81	253
Totals	453	439	431	1323

Web Knit				
Schomborn	88	85	114	291
Ripley	83	79	82	244
Baker	82	85	81	248
Bill	89	81	81	251
Dorrier	121	109	87	317
Totals	483	439	431	1354

Shirt Finish				
Champagne	86	86	85	257
Carpanier	88	88	88	264
Mered	117	104	89	310
Lacabre	101	85	82	268
Totals	491	463	423	1377

Yarn Department				
Booth	84	87	84	255
Pigeon	85	85	85	255
McMahon	88	88	88	264
Truitt	88	84	86	258
Green	81	89	91	261
Totals	448	443	453	1344

Shirt Fold				
Truitt	79	82	82	243
Gram	88	85	84	257
Totals	167	167	166	504

Kerstend	85	86	85	256
Vinal	91	90	81	262
Sub	81	81	81	243
Totals	457	457	447	1356

Wellington Room				
McGill	81	84	81	246
Boucher	82	87	80	249
Lafontaine	86	74	87	247
Macey	86	86	86	258
Nasse	94	87	126	307
Totals	431	423	461	1367

Hose Finishes				
Swindell	85	86	84	255
Murphy	82	81	83	246
Scott	82	103	96	281
Kearns	75	95	95	265
Leimer	101	85	88	274
Totals	423	453	441	1317

Dye House				
Sherburn	92	101	92	285
Boniet	87	78	84	249
Mayo	84	71	85	240
Davidson	79	84	101	264
Spriggs	82	102	86	270
Totals	424	446	461	1331

SACO-LOWELL LEAGUE				
Kilison Pickers				
Sharpe	110	103	49	362
Harrell	81	82	77	240
Murphy	86	96	99	281
Conley	112	81	97	290
Totals	489	462	423	1374

Shippers				
O'Neil	113	121	92	326
Hammond	90	95	93	278
Hock	79	93	91	263
Cochran	84	123	97	304
Hartwell	92	108	83	283
Totals	454	540	461	1455

Broadway Club League				
Red Sox				
Smith	84	84	112	280
J. Donovan	81	74	76	231
Sub	101	91	85	277
J. P. Kelly	103	86	92	281
K. Kelly	99	102	92	293
Totals	462	440	455	1357

Partners				
Cadden	82	78	80	241
Hamann	79	78	71	228
Sub	75	74	55	204
Driscoll	71	93	91	255
Totals	389	413	423	1225

mate John Wentzell of Salem. The diminutive Archie put up 175 for the highest ever rolled in league or tournament competition and it stood until last night when Wentzell pushed it to 181. The fact that Wentzell did not make a double century was due to the fact that he had two blue boxes.

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The world's record single was Wentzell's opening string for Chelsea at the Cambridge league last night. He made an ordinary start with a 17 spare and then got a 9 box. For the next three bowls he did well, then the spare got another break for a 9. A spare on the seventh and then the Salem bowler "struck out" bringing up the boxes to 181. The strain was too much and on the second he got but 58 while on the third he went through with 170 which gave him a total of 402, the second best total made this season at Chelsea.

Wentzell's contribution gave Chelsea a season record in the Suburban, for though the other individual singles were not especially heavy his was top-heavy and the total of 611 is a season mark.

SPORTING NEWS
Organized baseball does not claim all of the politicians with J. K. Tener, president of the National League, a former governor of Georgia, a former Cincinnati, a big man in Ohio politics and Jim Gaffney, of the Braves, a former New York ward boss. Sinclair of the Reds is to be named as a republican national committeeman from Oklahoma.

Eastern college circles are interested in the report that Barrett, the famous sprinting halfback of the Washington and Lee eleven, may enter Cornell next fall. While he would not be eligible for the 1916 team, Barrett would be a football factor at Ithaca in 1917 full as important as his namesake, who led the Cornell eleven to victory during the past season just closed.

Irving Porter will play baseball in 1916 with Louis Pipher's Lynn club. The speed boy, who sprang a sensation recently by jumping to the Newark club of the Federal league, will join the organized ball stars when he jumps all the way back again. He will not wear a Federal league uniform in 1916, because Louis Pipher has shown him the error in his judgment for deserting the N. E. league for such an organization as the Federal league.

Eddie Ainsmith, crack catcher of the Washington American league club, who once played with Lowell in the New England league, is reported as ready to jump to the Federals, this story being started by George Schaefer, former Washington and Detroit player. "Chick" Gandil, Washington first sacker, is another whom Schaefer has declared will take the leap from organized ball. This rumor has started Clarke Griffith, manager of the Nationals, and he came to bat with the statement that both men will be with his team in 1916. Gandil's contract has another year to run with the Nationals. Ainsmith has given him every assurance that he will be in the fold. The former Spindle City backstop at one time attended Colby college and was a member of the basketball quintet which annexed the New Hampshire title.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Twenty-seven runners are entered for the annual senior national cross country championship over the Van Cortlandt park course this afternoon. This is the smallest field entered for that race in years. As the course is covered with snow and ice it has been altered to eliminate some of the hazards. Hannes Kolehmainen is the favorite. John W. Overton, the Yale runner, who won the Intercollegiate title, has notified the chairman of the championship committee that he sprained his ankle in a practice run and will be unable to compete today. Overton was entered to run in the individual event against Stanley Ford of Philadelphia and Russell Springsteen of Yonkers.

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PEACE TREATY

Representatives of 3 Leagues in New York to Sign the Papers

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Approval of the tentative baseball peace plan having been given by representatives of the National, American and Federal leagues, the details of the treaty were considered in a conference here today of the members of the national commission with a committee from the Federal league.

Meanwhile the negotiators are awaiting the result of efforts which it is understood are to be made in Chicago today to obtain the consent of Judge Landis to dismiss the suit brought by the Federal league against organized baseball. A question was raised in the negotiations here whether it would be legal or in contempt of Judge Landis to sign a peace treaty while the litigation was still pending before him.

Aside from the members of the National and Federal league clubs in Chicago and St. Louis, one of the most important clauses in the agreement, it is authoritatively stated, is a provision that 72 of the Federal league players who now have contracts with the Federal league shall be fully protected by organized baseball. According to the same authority other Federal league players will be given ten days' notice.

An important part of the negotiations is the part assigned to the International league and the American association in taking over clubs and players left over by the elimination of the Federal league. Newark, Buffalo, Baltimore and Pittsburgh are to be taken over by clubs in the reorganized International league. It is reported that Carroll Rasmussen, president of the Baltimore Federals, will control the new Baltimore club, and that Edward Gwinn, head of the Pittsburgh Federals, will be president of the reorganized Pittsburgh club. Boston, however, demands that the St. Louis National league club be transferred to Baltimore.

It was stated today that probably the International league and the American association will have to take care of Federal league players rejected by the two major leagues.

GLOVER GETS DECISION

MANCHESTER FANS THOUGHT RAY WOOD WAS ENTITLED TO DRAW

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 18.—Mike Glover of Boston, with his greater reach and height, was given the award over Ray Wood of Fall River in a 12-round battle here last night, although the crowd showed displeasure over the decision.

Many thought Wood earned a draw, at least as he carried the fighting to his opponent and finished the 12th round with a left to the body and right to the jaw that staggered the Boston boy.

Glover showed brilliant footwork and avoided many vicious swings. He held his opponent lightly in the earlier rounds. Later, however, he showed rounds which split Wood's lip and he got home with it many times.

RUBLEE TURNED DOWN

UNITED STATES SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM HIM FOR TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—There is a strong probability that George Rublee of New Hampshire may fail of confirmation by the senate as member of the powerful federal trade commission. The other members were confirmed last March, but Mr. Rublee was opposed by Senator Gaffney on the ground both of unfitness and that he was "personally obnoxious"—the latter.

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CAPTAIN O'MEAGHER CONDON

Death of Noted Irish Patriot, Well Known to Lowell Citizens

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Sketch of Chief Events in His Career—Funeral Today at New York

Today the funeral of Edward O'Meagher Condon was held in New York from his late home, 154 East 72d street. Capt. Condon was well known in Lowell and his death will be deeply regretted by the friends of the Irish cause who met him on several occasions at demonstrations held in this city. His last appearance here was at a meeting held under the auspices of the United Irish League at Lincoln hall on March 19, 1911. On that occasion he was accompanied by the late John O'Callaghan, another indefatigable worker for the cause of Ireland. Both made stirring speeches and although a snow storm was in progress the hall was crowded and the speakers were applauded to the echo.

Capt. Condon's fame rests chiefly upon the part he played in the Manchester rescue of Fenian prisoners in 1867. He was sentenced to death with Allen, Larkin and O'Brien, who were executed Nov. 23, 1867. His sentence, however, was commuted to penal servitude for life but he was liberated through the influence of his friends in the United States after having served 11 years in Portland prison. In 1871, Capt. Condon who on being sentenced to death uttered the prayer "God Save Ireland" which was repeated by Allen, Larkin and O'Brien on the scaffold and was later made the subject of a celebrated song by T. D. Sullivan, known to the Irish race everywhere as "God Save Ireland." It is now regarded as the national anthem of Ireland, almost as popular as St. Patrick's Day.

After coming to this country Capt. Condon secured an appointment in the supervising architect's office in Washington, for he it remembered the deed that the Civil war and attained distinction that brought him the title of captain.

Supervised Post Office

When the new post office was being built in Lowell Capt. Condon superintended the work and he and Patrick Condon, who was a contractor became the closest of friends. When Capt. Condon heard of Mr. Condon's death he sent a message of condolence and would have come from Washington to the funeral but for the fact that he was tied up with official business.

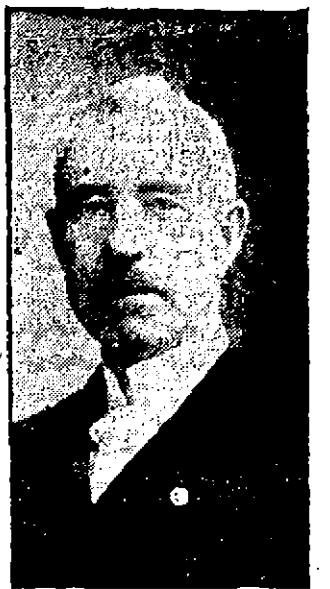
Until quite recently he has been in different parts of the country particularly through New England superintending the construction of post offices and other federal buildings. He was a man who always in this country lived in the plainest and simplest manner. He was a total abstemious and to this he often attributed his length of years in spite of all that he endured in prison.

Capt. Condon was one of the most devoted men who ever labored for the freedom of Ireland. He risked his life for the cause and was ready to die for it. He advocated physical force methods until he saw that constitutional agitation as carried out by Parnell and Redmond was more effective. There was no more ardent worker in the ranks of the United Irish League than Capt. Condon. He attended all the conventions and gave freely of his time and his energy to help the movement. Always in demand as a public speaker on such occasions, he assisted very materially in raising funds to help along the movement. In Ireland, he was a close friend of the late John O'Callaghan and together both visited Ireland in 1893 making a tour of the country and also of a portion of England, including the city of Manchester, the scene of the rescue for which he was arrested.

The ovation tendered to both gentlemen wherever they went was most enthusiastic. They were tendered the freedom of cities and were regarded as among the foremost men of the Irish race and unquestionably among the most successful workers for the cause of freedom at that time.

Alderman Boyle's Tribute

The reception at Manchester was the greatest ovation witnessed in that great city for years. Chairman Boyle, then alderman, new member of parliament in opening the meeting, said that he was not in the position in that great city of Manchester to do what their countrymen in Ireland were doing, to vote Captain O'Meagher Condon (loud cheers) and his colleague, Mr. O'Callaghan, the freedom of their city, but he thought that in the words of one of their English friends the previous



THE LATE EDWARD O'MEAGHER CONDON

night, they had taken the freedom of the city (cheers), and that day they seemed determined to repeat the performance (hear, hear). "There was no person of the name of the name who would not feel honored to stand up in the same assembly with that distinguished Irishman, Capt. O'Meagher Condon (loud cheers). That was a meeting of welcome to him, a meeting of the Irish people of Manchester to pour out their hearts in affection to the principles of the Irish parliament of the previous night was not a demonstration. It was an outburst of national devotion to the man who died and dared for Ireland without any regard for the consequences (cheers). There is nobody who saw these two excellent gatherings could say that the Irish heart was ungrateful or forgetful (cheers). So long as there was an Irish population left in that city of Manchester, so long as Ireland was deprived of her rights of self-government, so long would they stand by the principles of Captain Condon, by the principles of "God Save Ireland," by the principles of today (cheers). Knowing no other political masters, and responding to the call of no other political leader (cheers).

Capt. Condon's Address

Capt. Condon, on rising to address the assemblage, received a great ovation. The entire audience rose in their places, and cheered and waved hats and handkerchiefs for some time. The notes of "God Save Ireland" burst from thousands of throats. There was another outburst of cheering at its close. When this manifestation of enthusiasm had abated, Captain Condon proceeded to speak. He said he had always expected much of the Irish in Manchester, because he had considered the experience of them in old times (cheers), and his expectations had been far more than realized. Last night, and that day again, they had given proof that the old spirit of devotion and loyalty to the motherland was still as strong in the hearts as it had been in the hearts of their countrymen present from over one hundred branches of Cheshire and Yorkshire. Representatives were in that city over two score years ago, when he had been last with them (cheers). With regard to the incidents with which he had been connected in these times, it was hardly necessary to say anything more than remark that today, as in the dock, he had not anything to regret, to retract, or take back (great cheering). In the performance of their duty to their comrades they did what they believed was right. They took the chance. They had had their sufferings, and they had not any regret. There was one thing he could not forget. The remains of his poor comrades had been buried in the jail yard, and transferred thence to another jail yard where, he believed, they still remained. He would ask Alderman Boyle and the members of the committee present to do so effectively and splendidly performed their duty, and more than performed their duty, to add to the obligations assumed that of procuring for these remains Christian burial (loud and prolonged cheers). In sacred ground in the land which they loved and died for.

This noble appeal, coming from the lips of Captain Condon, who so narrowly escaped the fate of the Manchester martyrs, produced deep emotion amongst the audience and it was some minutes before he could proceed.

MOTORCYCLIST KILLED

YOUNG RIDER WAS HURLED HEADLONG AND STRUCK POLE WHILE ON WAY TO BOSTON

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 18.—While on his way to Boston on a motorcycle yesterday morning, George W. Haskell, aged 22, was thrown headlong against a trolley rail about a mile west of Stonington and instantly killed.

The motorcycle evidently skidded on the ice, and Haskell was traveling at a high speed and was thrown a considerable distance. His skull was fractured, his right leg lacerated, nose broken and upper lip cut.

He was employed by C. P. Williams of Stonington. He leaves a mother, three sisters and a brother.

FIVE KILLED IN CRASH

REAR-END COLLISION OF TRAINS NEAR CHESTER, PA.—DENSE FOG THE CAUSE OF WRECK

CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 18.—Five persons were killed and 11 injured, one probably fatally, in a rear-end collision between an accommodation train bound from Philadelphia to Chester and a freight train on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad last night at Felton, two miles south of this city.

Two of the dead were railroad employees, two were negro passengers whose bodies have not been identified. Daniel Galloway, a passenger from Philadelphia being the fifth victim. All the injured lived in Philadelphia and Chester or in nearby towns.

The accident was due, railroad officials say, to dense fog, which made it impossible for the engineers to see the signals. The proceedings of the inquiry are being held at Felton Station where the other train crashed into it. All three accommodation coaches were telescoped and the engine was hurled down an embankment.

A moment after the accident an express train from Philadelphia for Baltimore crashed into the wreckage, but little damage resulted. Traffic was tied up for several hours.

TO SUSPEND CLERGYMAN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The Ecclesiastical court which tried Rev. George Chalmers Richmond, Rev. of St. John's Episcopal church in this city, on charges of conduct unbecoming a clergyman and violation of his ordination vows, yesterday rendered a verdict recommending that he be suspended from the performance of his church duties for one year.

LEW'S BASKETBALL LUCK

STARTED FOR FITCHBURG LAST NIGHT BUT WERE HELD UP ON THE WAY

Harry "Rucky" Lew and the members of his Lowell basketball team went over the road by auto last night to play Fitchburg but they could not reach their destination in time on account of the poor condition of the roads and the game was called off. The team did not arrive in Fitchburg until after 9 o'clock, although it left Lowell at 6 o'clock and Ayer was not sighted until after 10:30 o'clock. There was a large attendance at Fitchburg awaiting the arrival of the Lowell contingent.

More bad luck attended the team in Ayer where the players found it impossible to get accommodations at the hotel. They were forced to either remain in the machine or sit in the railroad station until 4:30 o'clock this morning when they came to Lowell on the Bar Harbor express.

Jim Mulvanity, the big Nashua police inspector, was much amused at this team's misfortune and he was the only one to reach home and he was the only one to reach home in the caboose of a freight train.

FUNERAL NOTICES

LOVELL—The funeral of Andrew Lovell will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from his late home, 120 South street, to St. Patrick's church. A funeral high mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial arrangements in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

BURNS—The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Burns will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 72 South street, to St. Patrick's church. A funeral high mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial arrangements in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

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THE SPELLBINDER

Some difference between Lowell and Lawrence!

Since election night, quietness has been restored and the city has resumed the even tenor of its way, as regards politics; but not so in Lawrence, where since election there appears to be more political talk of a sensational nature than during the campaign.

The Lawrence Sun-American of Thursday night had its front page filled with political news under scare headlines.

Here are a few of them:

"District Attorney to Investigate Charges—To Comply with Mayor's Request."

"Changes in Commission Looked For—Mayor-elect Hurley May Remove Bridge Board, It Is Rumored."

"Biggest of all: 'Candidates Big Police Strike—Fire Department and Police Officials Will Be Asked to Resign for Political Activity.'"

"There is a big shakeup coming in the Lawrence police and fire departments. This, Commissioner James W. Cadogan announced today, is sure and the changes will mean the dropping of a number of police officers, fire department officials, regular firemen and call firemen. There will also be many changes in police beats."

"The changes, which will be gradual, will according to the commissioner, be started before the close of the present week. The early changes will be minor ones and will probably mean the dropping of a number of police officers, fire department officials, regular firemen and call firemen. There will also be many changes in police beats."

"Several members of the police and fire departments will be asked to resign," said the commissioner, "and if they ignore this request I shall then take steps to remove them." "Active politics" is the main charge which will be brought against them and the commissioner alleges that it is the younger members of the police force who will suffer as a result of their alleged activity.

Section 5, rule 7, of the Lawrence police manual reads as follows:

"Members of the force will avoid all religious or political discussions. They shall not interfere or make use of the office in elections, but should quietly exercise their right of suffrage as other citizens."

This section will, in the opinion of Commissioner Cadogan, enable him to pursue the course which he intends to pursue in the Lawrence police department and to have the resignations when they receive the request.

HEARD AT CITY HALL

"I understand that the street department is now obliged to clean all the sidewalks around the property in this city," said a clerk to a fellow clerk.

THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY

"Does that include the land seized in Pawtucketville for a hospital?"

"No, only the land seized in the city."

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RECRUITS CALLED TO COLORS IN ENGLAND

New Order Indicates Earl of Derby's Plan a Success—No Conscription at Present

A call to the colors of four classes of recruits, who enlisted under the Earl of Derby's plan to solve Great Britain's recruiting problem is taken by the British public to mean that the plan has been a success and that there will be no conscription for the present at least.

The Bulgarian army, which is resting on the Serbo-Greek frontier, is estimated to number 100,000, a Saloniki despatch states. Some correspondents there believe that the Bulgarians halt is only temporary and that they will co-operate with Austro-German forces in a movement on Saloniki, which the entente allies are fortifying rapidly.

Former Radoslavoff of Bulgaria is quoted by a German correspondent as declaring that Bulgaria would fight on

Greek territory only with the guarantee to Greece that the Bulgarians would retire to their home soil after driving the entente allies out of Saloniki.

A despatch from Borne transmits the belief of a military writer there that a Teutonic move against Saloniki will be instituted if the central powers do not secure from Greece guarantees that the allies will be confined to their Saloniki camp.

Work on the preparation of a second note to Austria-Hungary on the Ancona case was begun by President Wilson in Washington today.

A large section of northern Montenegro has been cleared by the Teutonic forces, Berlin announces, naming

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7 KILLED, 10 INJURED WATCH THE SIDEWALKS

THROUGH BRIDGE OVER SPOKANE RIVER

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 18.—Seven persons were killed and 10 injured today when a street car went through the Division street bridge over the Spokane river. The killed were in the car more than an hour after it went into the river.

IT'S DONATION DAY

DON'T FORGET THE LITTLE ONES AT ST. PETER'S ORPHANAGE TODAY—MANY CONTRIBUTIONS

Today is donation day at St. Peter's orphanage and many donations have been received by the sisters in charge. The donations consist of groceries, provisions, clothing, shoes, flowers and various gifts for the children. On account of the poor weather conditions many who intended to send their donations today were somewhat delayed and the contributions will not be all in until Monday or Tuesday. A full list of those who sent donations will be published later.

CLEAN UP POLICE

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The first step in a campaign to clean up the Chicago police department which he declared was honeycombed with graft and protection for criminals, was taken today by Mayor Thompson by calling into conference the chief of police, the assistant chief and the president of the city civil service commission.

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THREE ACCIDENTS CAUSED BY SLIPPERY SIDEWALKS EARLY THIS MORNING

Three accidents caused by slippery sidewalks necessitated calls for the city ambulance today. Mary Conney, who resides in the rear of 17 Queen street, fell while on her way to work in the Hamilton mill and sustained a fracture of the left wrist. She reported for work, but at 7 o'clock the ambulance was sent for and she was taken to the Lowell hospital.

James Scanlon of 14 Cross street, employed by the board of health, slipped and fell at the corner of Bridge and Ludlow streets about 8:30 o'clock. He was removed to his home suffering from an injury to his back.

At 9:50 o'clock Daniel Shea of Dummer street fell on the sidewalk near the corner of Fletcher and Dutton sts. He was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital, suffering from a broken right ankle.

ROBBERS FLEE WITH SAFE

FALL RIVER SALOON ENTERED AND SAFE CONTAINING \$250 TAKEN AWAY

FALL RIVER, Dec. 18.—Robbers entered the saloon of the Joseph Phoenix Co. here early today and carted away a small safe containing \$250. The thieves used a stolen horse and wagon in taking the booty away and the police have no clue to the burglars.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE

BENZ STARK'S AUTO WENT OVER STACKPOLE STREET EMBANKMENT

Benjamin Starks, a young man employed as a chauffeur for Fairbairn market, escaped serious injury and probable death shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, when the machine he was driving crashed through a fence and went over a 70-foot embankment in Stackpole street. The machine came to a stop at the bottom of the embankment when it hit a tree. Young Starks stuck to his post and was uninjured. The damage to the machine was trifling and none of the orders which remained to be delivered were upset. The machine was pulled back to the street by men employed by the Stanley Transportation Co. The embankment where the machine went over stood down almost perpendicularly and it is a wonder that the auto did not turn turtle. The accident was the result of the slippery condition of the street.

STRIKE AT SPRINGFIELD

400 EMPLOYEES OF WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY QUIT WORK—TO CALL OUT OTHERS

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15.—Approximately 400 employees of the Westinghouse Co. went on strike this morning. The men are tool makers and machinists employed in the "river shop," the former Chicago Falls plant of the Stevens-Duryea Co. On Monday morning the strikers will make plans to call out the other employees of the company.

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DIRECTORS OF WRECKED CAMBRIDGE BANK GUILTY

Federal Court Finds Five Directors of Bank Wrecked by Coleman in 1909 Guilty of Negligence—Depositors Will Recover \$265,000

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Five directors of the National City bank of Cambridge, which was wrecked in 1909 by George W. Coleman, a bookkeeper, now serving a prison term, were found guilty of negligence by Judge Bingham in the federal court here today. Under this decision depositors of the bank will recover approximately \$265,000.

The court's decision was based on a suit entered by former Gov. John I. Bates, as receiver, to hold the president and directors liable for their failure to discover the misconduct of Coleman in time to prevent the whole or any part of the losses during a period of more than three years in

which the thefts were committed. The report of the master, Judge Robert O. Harris, who found in favor of the directors was set aside.

Directors held responsible by Judge Bingham are Sumner Dresser, George W. Gale and David A. Barbour. Two other directors, Edwin Dresser, who was president, and George W. Richardson have died since the suits were instituted and the court directed that judgments be entered against their estates.

William J. Kellher, a friend of Coleman, was convicted as an accomplice and is serving an 18-year term in prison.

Judge Bingham said it seemed inconceivable that men who were aware that funds entrusted to their care were diminishing at an unprecedented rate, could be said to be exercising reasonable care in not looking more carefully into the methods of conducting the bank. The court also held that directors of a national bank in entering upon their duties "implicitly agreed to perform them properly and faithfully, and if by misconduct or negligence they failed in this respect and damage ensued, a cause of action arises which the receiver may enforce for the benefit of stockholders and creditors."

FULL TEXT OF AUSTRIA'S REPLY ON ANCONA CASE

Views, Even if Correct, Do Not Warrant Blame Being Placed Upon Commander of Submarine, Says Vienna—Seeks Exchange of Opinions—Pres. Wilson Works on Sharp Rejoinder

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The official text of Austria's reply to the American note on the Ancona, made public here today, reveals that the Vienna government denies that the views presented by the United States, even if correct, warrant the blame for the disaster being placed upon the commander of the submarine.

The reply denies also that blame can be placed upon the Austro-Hungarian government even if "a most rigorous judicial construction were applied to the judgment of the case."

Full Text of Note

The full text of Austria's reply to the American note on the sinking of the Italian liner Ancona is made public today by the state department follows: American Embassy, Vienna, Dec. 18, 1915.

Secretary of State, Washington: Following note received from minister of foreign affairs upon today: In reply to the much esteemed note No. 4167, which his excellency, Mr. Frederic Courland Penfield, ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America, directed to him in the name of the American government under date of the 9th inst. in the matter of the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona, the undersigned, preliminary to a thorough, meritorious treatment of the demand, has the honor to observe that the sharpness with which the government of the United States considers it necessary to blame the commanding officer of the submarine concerned in the affair and the firmness in which the demands addressed to the Imperial and royal government appear to be expressed might well have warranted the expectation that the government of the United States should precisely specify the actual circumstances of the affair upon which it bases its case.

As is not difficult to perceive, the presentation of the facts in the case in the aforesaid note leaves room for many doubts, and even if this presentation were correct in all points and the most rigorous legal conception were applied to the judgment of the case, it does not in any way sufficiently warrant attaching blame to the commanding officer of the war vessel or to the Imperial and royal government.

The government of the United States has also failed to designate the persons upon whose testimony it relies and to whom it apparently believes it may attribute a higher degree of credibility than to the commander of the Imperial and Royal fleet. The note also fails to give any information whatever as to the number, names and more precise fate of the American citizens who were on board of the said steamer at the time of the disaster.

In view of the fact that the Washington cabinet has now made a positive statement to the effect that citizens of the United States of America came to grief in the incident in question, the Imperial and Royal government is in principal ready to enter into an exchange of views in the affair with the government of the United

States. It must, however, in the first place, raise the question why that government failed to give jurisdictional reasons for the demands set forth in its note with reference to the special circumstances of the incriminating events upon which it itself lays stress, and why in lieu thereof it referred an exchange of correspondence which it has conducted with another government in other cases.

The Imperial and Royal government is the less able to follow the Washington cabinet on this unusual path since it by no means possesses authentic knowledge of all of the pertinent correspondence of the government of the United States, nor is it of the opinion that such knowledge might be sufficient for it in the present case, which, insofar as it is informed, is in essential points of another nature than the case or cases to which the government of the United States seems to allude.

The Imperial and Royal government may therefore leave it to the Washington cabinet to formulate the particular points of law against which the commanding officer of the submarine is alleged to have offended on the occasion of the sinking of the Ancona.

The government of the United States has also failed to refer to the attitude which the Berlin cabinet assumed in the above mentioned correspondence. The Imperial and Royal government finds in the much esteemed note no indication whatever of the intent with which this reference was made. Should, however, the government of the United States thereby intend to express an opinion to the effect that a prejudice of whatever nature existed for the Imperial and royal government with respect to the juridical consideration of the affair in question, this government must, in order to preclude possible misunderstandings, declare that as a matter of course it reserves to itself full freedom of maintaining its own legal views in the discussion of the case of the Ancona.

In having the honor to have recourse to the kindness of His Excellency, the ambassador of the United States of America with the most respectful request to be good enough to communicate the foregoing to the American government and on this occasion to state that the Imperial and Royal government in no less degree than the American government and under all circumstances, most sincerely deploring the fate of the innocent victims of the incident in question, the undersigned at the same time awaits himself of this opportunity to renew the expression of his most distinguished consideration to His Excellency the ambassador.

(Signed) Durlan, Penfield.

WORK ON SECOND NOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Wilson began work today on the second note to Austria on the sinking of the Ancona.

Friendly relations between the United States and Austria, it was stated au-

thoritatively, are nearing the breaking point and their continuance will depend entirely upon the reply Austria will be asked to make immediately to the note being framed today.

While the word ultimatum was not used by officials in discussing the note, it was indicated that the reply will state clearly the alternative which will follow if Austria's reply is unsatisfactory.

The gravity of the situation will not, however, cause President Wilson to postpone his departure tonight for the south on his wedding tour.

Secretary Lansing sent to the White House early in the day a memorandum outlining his views as to what the second American note should contain. The president immediately began work on drafting the note and will confer with Secretary Lansing later. The note will go to Vienna within the next few days.

Close study of Austria's reply to the American demands that there should be a disavowal of the act of the submarine commander in sinking the Ancona, his punishment, reparation for American lives lost, and assurances that the incident would not be repeated, did not reduce the gravity with which officials viewed the situation.

President Wilson while on his wedding tour will keep in constant touch with the White House, and it is necessary, Secretary Lansing will go to see him to discuss the situation.

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FORMER MAYOR BROWN ARRESTED FOR DEBT

Technical Arrest Followed Decision on Poor Debtor Hearing by Judge Fisher

Following the finding of Judge Frederic A. Fisher of probable cause on two of four charges brought against former Mayor George H. Brown by Attorney Albert S. Howard in the preliminary poor debtor's proceedings, Mr. Brown appeared in the office of the local police court this forenoon where a certificate of arrest issued by the court was served on him by Deputy Sheriff R. P. Gately. Andrew P. Roach, acting as surety, supplied bonds in the sum of \$300 for the respondent's appearance at any date within the next 30 days for examination on his application to take the poor debtor's oath.

The proceedings were instituted by lawyer Howard for the purpose of collecting a judgment given him by a jury in the superior court for legal services alleged to have been rendered Mr. Brown while commissioner at city hall. The charges in which probable cause were found allege that five days after Mr. Howard rendered a bill to Mr. Brown, the latter assigned his salary to one Arthur J. Lyons at Boston for the purpose of defrauding creditors, and that since the debt was contracted Mr. Brown paid more than \$100

in some form of gambling prohibited by law.

During the next 30 days Mr. Brown can pursue one of two different courses. He must either pay Mr. Howard's bill or make application to take the poor debtor's oath. Failing the latter course is adopted the same evidence as presented in the recent hearing will be heard by a judge in the local court. If a finding of not guilty is made Mr. Brown will be freed, but if probable cause is again found, Mr. Brown will either be obliged to pay the bill or be committed to jail with the right of appeal. If the appeal is taken the case will be tried before a jury and the outcome will be dealt with the same as in the lower court.

Mr. Brown voluntarily appeared in the office of the police court this forenoon by arrangement of his counsel Edward F. Tierney, and Mr. Howard. He was technically arrested and immediately bailed out in the presence of Judge Enright. The hearing of the evidence in the above case covered a period of several days and had to do with Mr. Brown's financial acts since the time that he was mayor.

PLOT TO DESTROY CANAL

Four Men Accused of Conspiracy to Block Welland Canal—Two Held in \$80,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Charged with conspiring in a military enterprise to destroy the Welland canal, the Canadian waterway which connects Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, three men are under arrest here today awaiting arraignment before United States commissioner while a fourth man is in the custody of government authorities. Those under arrest are: Paul Koenig, formerly head of the bureau of investigation of the Hamburg-American line, who, it is charged, has been the head of the German secret service in the United States since the beginning of the war; Richard E. Leyendecker, a retailer of art goods in this city, a naturalized American, alleged to have been employed by Koenig; Frederick Metzler of Jersey City reported to have been a clerk in the office of the Hamburg-American line and secretary to Koenig.

The fourth man held in custody is George Fuchs who was formerly in Koenig's employ and who has given the authorities valuable information. So far as known he is not alleged to be a party to any conspiracy.

The arrests were made last night on a complaint alleging that Koenig and others went to Buffalo and Niagara Falls in September last to prepare means to destroy the canal, "by force of arms." The three defendants, it was learned today, have been under surveillance for a year. The evidence which led to their arrest was given

by George Fuchs, who, it is charged, quarreled with Koenig over the payment of \$15 which he claimed Koenig owed him. Detectives employed by Capt. Tunney of the New York police department, obtained Fuchs's statement and turned him over to William M. Coffey, head of the agents of the department of justice.

The purpose of the alleged attempt to block the canal was, it is charged, to prevent the movement of supplies down the Great Lakes and through the Welland canal and St. Lawrence river to the entente allies.

The names of workers in San Francisco, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Boston and other cities are said to have been discovered among documents seized by the authorities in a raid upon the offices of Koenig and Leyendecker.

The penalty for the crime charged in this case is three years in prison or \$3000 fine or both.

Koenig came into public notice last June when the affidavit of Gustav Stahl, averring that he had seen Koenig on board the steamship Lusitania before she sailed on her fatal voyage, was submitted to the state department. It was Koenig, who notified government authorities, that Stahl could be found in Albany.

Paul Koenig and Richard Emil Leyendecker were each sentenced to \$50,000 and \$30,000 bail, respectively, by United States Commissioner Haughton today when they were arraigned before him on charges of conspiring to destroy the Welland canal.

ARRESTED MISSING BOY

JOHN DAWSON OF LOWELL LOCATED IN ROTTERDAM, N. Y.—ESCAPED FROM SHIRLEY

John Dawson, aged 15 years, of 14 Mission place, this city, has been arrested in Rotterdam, N. Y., according to a telegram received by Supt. Welch today. The telegram gives the information that young Dawson was arrested in a pilfered car on the railroad tracks. It was learned that the lad last week escaped from the industrial school for boys at Shirley, where he was sentenced from the local court in June.

VESSLS IN COLLISION

RAIN AND FOG TIED UP TRANSPORTATION IN NEW YORK HARBOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Heavy rain and a misty fog practically tied up marine transportation in New York harbor early today and impeded the movement of railroad trains. The municipal ferryboat Manhattan on her way to Staten island collided with a steamship at anchor off the Statue of Liberty and part of the ferryboat's cabin was carried away. One man was injured.

The Portuguese ship Perla d'Almeida from Lisbon for this city, loaded with bark, went ashore in the fog below Manhattan this morning. The derelict destroyer Seneca went to her assistance. The storm interfered with telegraphic service up state.

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WILSON-GALT WEDDING

Ceremony Will Take Place in Washington This Evening—All Arrangements Completed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The wedding of President Wilson and Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt overshadowed in interest today affairs of state.

All arrangements were complete for the ceremony which is to be solemnized at Mrs. Galt's home tonight. The members of the two families who are to be the wedding guests were here and decorators and florists had put the finishing touches on the rooms to be used for the wedding. Arrangements for guarding the house during the ceremony included a diversion of all traffic from the street and a heavy guard of policemen and secret service agents about the premises.

Granddaughter Christened

Although details of the wedding trip had not been disclosed it became known that the couple will leave for the south shortly after the ceremony. The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, pastor of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal church here, who is to perform the wedding ceremony had also been selected to officiate at the christening at the White House today before members of the wedding party of Ellen Wilson Macdon, seven months' old, the president's only granddaughter.

Their First Meeting

The president first met Mrs. Galt not long after the death of the first Mrs. Wilson on Aug. 6, 1914, and by this time all the world knows that Dr. Cary T. Grayson, the president's physician and intimate friend, was the deus ex machina who first brought Mrs. Galt into the circle of the bereaved White House family, through Miss Alice Gordon.

MANY PEOPLE DON'T KNOW

A sluggish liver can cause a person an awful lot of misery. Spasms of indigestion, headaches, constipation and biliousness are sure signs that your liver needs help. Take Dr. King's New Life Pills and see how they help tone up the whole system. Fine for the stomach too. Aids digestion. Purifies the blood and clears the complexion. Only 25c at your druggist.

MERRIMACK
SQUARE THEATRE

Today is the Last Day to See
LOU TELLEGEN
In the thrilling Paramount picture of
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The Unknown
In Five Acts
Other Pleasing Features

Tomorrow at Sunday Concert,
VIVIAN MARTIN
— IN —
The Little Dutch Girl
Many Other Delightful Plays.

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Six big acts, including Alfredo, the Vagabond Violinist, Rice and Franklin, George Hall, The Belmonts, Raymond and Caverly, Bird and Pierce, Six Reels of Pictures, and last but not least, B. F. Keith's Concert Orchestra.

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Norman Galt was part owner of the Galt Bros. jewelry establishment which had come to him by inheritance, and is one of the modest firms in Washington. The Galts are of Scotch origin. They have been people of means and importance in Washington for several generations in the old days "Bello do Wall" and just after it Galt's then a funny old shabby little place, used to serve in lieu of a club for statesmen passing to and from the capitol. Many ambitious schemes and measures of import were hatched in its rear room.

When Norman Galt died eight years ago he left his entire fortune, valued at somewhere in the neighborhood of \$100,000, to his wife without any reservation whatsoever, making her executrix without bonds. She bought out the remaining interest in the business and is now sole owner, her two brothers, Wilmer and Randolph Bolling, acting as managers for her.

The president's bride has a pleasant voice and used to sing a good deal as a girl when her brother Rolfe played her accompaniments. But she is no student of music. Her education is that typical of the southern women of gentle birth. It tended more to the cultivation of domestic arts and social graces than to her development along intellectual lines. She is an excellent housekeeper and what is more important, a home maker.

An Ardent Churchwoman

She is an ardent church woman, and has always preferred to make use of church charities as a medium of her benevolence. During the many years that she was a member of St. Thomas church, she was an active worker in the Rector's Aid society, served on the board of lady managers of the Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat hospital, and similar activities have engaged her since the recent change by which she became a member of St. Margaret's. Withal she has a hatred of notoriety.

Mrs. Galt is fairly tall with a graceful figure, rich brown hair and blue gray eyes, so shaded by long dark lashes that to the casual observer they appear black.

Her mouth is frankly large, but many of her admirers regard it as her best feature, being graciously curved and very expressive, and her entire face is very animated when she talks. Her manner is both friendly and gracious. She has the social gift highly developed and is qualified to lend distinction and charm to the difficult role of first lady of the land.

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Edmond Barro, 30, second hand, 103 Dalton street, and Alma Bourn, 18, operative, 158 Salem street.

James Roy, 32, (divorced), tailor, 192 First street, and Eva Lescard, 30, at home, same address.

Joseph Ernest Tremblay, 23, machinist, 32 Common street, and Lida Benetrix Sauvaugau, 25, window, 65 Bowlers street.

Ederico Coutre, 22, clerk, 23 Dougo street, and Angeline Massicotte, 20, window, 12 Herick place.

Alfred M. Angus, 21, beamer, 65 Liberty street, and Mary L. Dewelley, 18, at home, 1 Somerset street.

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Alexander Whyte, 22, steel worker, 22 Gains street, and Kathryn Digges, 21, shoemaker, 3 Webster street.

AT THE BON MARCHE

FIVE MORE SHOPPING DAYS AND THIS EMPORIUM HAS MANY ATTRACTIONS FOR BUYERS

Five more shopping days at the Bon Marche, and these will be busy days. This popular department store has always made very extensive arrangements for catering to the public patronage at Christmas time, and for several years it has been known to almost every child in Middlesex county as headquarters for Santa Claus. They have every kind of a toy on sale, 30c, 50c, 75c, the popular manager of the store, has slightly drifted away from that feature, but has very greatly increased the capacity of the store adding greater floor space, and also adding several departments in addition to those that they have had for years. This year a larger and better quality as well as variety of goods can be found than would please anyone young or old. These are the times when the Bon Marche realizes the value of space for the conducting of the holiday patronage. All this week the store has been filled with customers buying from every department and in the way that purchases were made one would almost think that the goods were given away. The store is most extravagantly and beautifully decorated with holly and other greenery and the ever popular California poinsettias are generously distributed in all the departments making a very pretty display. With it the scene of beautiful dust proof counters and show cases and the up-to-date cash carrier system, and obliging and accommodating clerks and every known feature to assist their customers one can rightly call it the "no long wait" store. People can do more business with satisfaction than ever before. To attempt to go into any lengthy detailed description of what can be seen there, we neither have time nor space, with nearly fifty distinct departments there are very few things that a person cannot find whether it be from a spoon of all classes of people. There is the glove department, the toilet and manicure, waists and blouses, and not forgetting the large and commodious suit and cloak department, and fine undergarments.

In preparing your list of Christmas gifts run down the following suggestions, review the work of the year. Commissioner Morse is just a bit proud of the sewer system of the city.

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ELECTION ARRESTS LIKELY

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STRUCK BY A JETNEY

A little daughter of James L. Robertson of 55 Bowden street was struck by an automobile near the old Fair Grounds in Gorham street last evening. It is understood that the child was on a sled which was being drawn through the roadway by her mother when a jetney bus struck the sled. The child was picked up and placed in the machine and taken to her home where she received medical attendance.

LAST CALL BEFORE XMAS
HOW TO PLEASE FATHER, MOTHER, SWEETHEART, IN FACT ANYONE.

A PAIR OF PERFECT FITTING GLASSES

Give more self comfort to those who need them than anything before the sun. We can easily explain how this can be accomplished and to a perfect surprise for Xmas. Temporary lenses can be fitted and the proper ones can be fitted later.

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OPTOMETRISTS and MANUFACTURING OPTICIANS
300 MERRIMACK ST.

PAID FOR
CITY HALL GARAGE

Garage and Gasoline

Garage and Gasoline permits, recommended by Commissioner Carmichael, have been granted as follows:

W. E. Stelson, garage and gasoline, 194 Parkview avenue.

Frank W. Davis, garage and gasoline, 45 Hampden street.

T. H. Colwell, garage, 100 West street.

Wamsist Garage company, garage and gasoline, Watson and Whipple streets.

James E. Moody, garage and gasoline, 20 Bayview street.

Harry La Gonzalez's petition for per-

The Bon Marche

DRY GOODS CO.



Tell Santa Claus which style Victrola you want

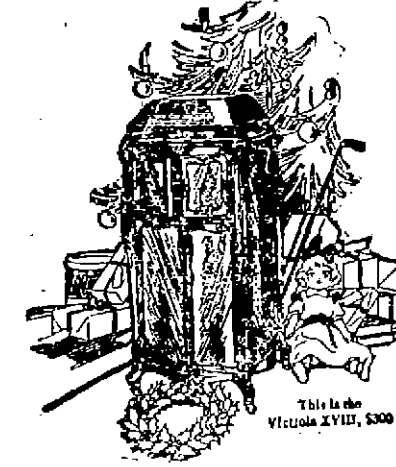
He knows a Victrola is ideal for Christmas—that it is sure to be appreciated, that its music is a delight to every one.

And he has left a full line of Victrolas here so that every one can see the different styles and select the one best adapted to his home.

\$15, \$25, \$40, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250, \$300, \$350
—and it's wise to make your selection now to be sure of getting the style you want.

Come in Today

5 More Shopping Days to Xmas SPECIAL
Exceptionally Easy Terms for the Holidays



COMM'R MORSE TALKS

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The examination will include a sworn statement of training and experience, an accuracy test, handwriting, arithmetic (with special attention to decimals), the writing of a letter or report, and special questions aimed to ascertain an applicant's ability to test gas meters for accuracy, his knowledge of sealing meters, and general ability to fill the duties of the place.

Successful applicants may also be subjected to a physical examination.

Only citizens of the United States who have been residents of Massachusetts for the past year have a right to apply.

Men desiring to take this examination may secure application blanks by applying in person, or by letter, at the office of the Massachusetts Civil Service commission, room 151, State House, Boston.

Applications may be filed at any time, but in order that a person may be entitled to appear at this examination, his application blank must be filed

PRICE OF GASOLINE JUMPS

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Standard Oil company of New York, today announced an advance of one cent a gallon in all grades and packages of gasoline for export.

GERMAN GENERAL KILLED

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Major General von Stockhausen of the German army, has been killed in action, according to a despatch from Amsterdam to the Central News agency.

Start the new year with a checking account. Old Lowell National Bank.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

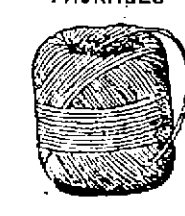
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PANAMA PILE DRIVERS
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FOR TYING UP XMAS GIFT PACKAGES



Danvers Sea Island twine in the Xmas colors. Ball 7c; Lb. 60c.

Gold and Silver Tinsel Cord on spools holding 10 yards each.....10c

Roseland Floss Twine, besides being fancy, is strong. Assorted colors. Ball, 5c; Box of 12, 50c.

Raffia is popular for tying gift parcels. We have it in red and green shades. 10c.

Gift Dressings

AT COBURN'S

Red and Green Tissue Sheets.....2c, 4c

Fine White Tissue Paper, quire.....10c

Fine White Wrapping Paper, lb.....10c

Decorated Xmas Cards, pkg.....10c

Pretty Xmas Tags, pkg.....10c

Attractive Xmas Seals, pkg.....10c

Unique Xmas Boxes, each.....25c

Free City Motor Delivery

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INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

A very important session of the Lowell Typographical union will be held tonight in Post 120 hall, Merrimack street. A large amount of important business will come up for transaction and final plans will be arranged for the anniversary of the local and the celebration of Franklin's birthday, which will be commemorated as a joint event in January.

Bricklayers' Union
The Bricklayers' union held an interesting meeting last night in Trades and Labor hall at which several very important matters were discussed. Second International Vice-President George Thornton was present and addressed the meeting.

William Booth Resigns
William Booth, who has been over-seeing in the weaving department of the Merrimack Woolen mill, has resigned.

YOU CAN EAT ANYTHING FIT TO EAT

without being troubled by any form of indigestion or dyspepsia, sour stomach, heartburn, nausea, if you will precede and follow your meals with one or two Dys-pep-lets. They prevent as well as relieve all after-meal discomforts, and are free from all the objections to soda minis, the continual use of which injures the stomach. 10c, 25c or \$1. All druggists. Prepared by C. L. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass. Get a box today.

his position. Henry Jordan has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Moulders' Strike
The strike situation at the Saco-Lowell shops is unchanged. Labor union report that all shops, with the exception of the Saco-Lowell, have signed the new agreement.

To Aid Hatters' Union
As a result of an appeal made by Charles Morrison, representing the Hatters' union, members of all labor organizations throughout the city will be asked to contribute one hour's wages on Jan. 14, 1916, towards wiping out the \$300,000 award made recently against the union. This will be done also in all cities of the country where organized labor exists.

Trades and Labor Credentials
Credentials from the following delegates representing the Billerica Blacksmiths' union have been received at the Trades and Labor council: Walter Chase, William White, Henry Bachelard, Scott W. Ordway, Torrance Gilligan, Amos Beland, and Wesley Wiggin.

Business Dull in Collinsville
A slight depression in business is being experienced at the Beaver Brook and Merrimack Woolen mills and both plants at the present time have reduced their working forces in consequence.

The weaving department of the Beaver Brook mill is quite slack. At

the Navy Yard plant where a double shift of hands has been operating during the past few months to complete rush orders, it has been found necessary to suspend the night force, although the full complement of day help is still employed.

McMahon in Lowell
Organizer McMahon came down from Nashua on a business visit yesterday and was seen by a Sun representative. Mr. McMahon said the Nashua strike is still on and will remain so until the mill agents give the concessions asked for by the strikers. He said that 1900 strikers report at Hiram hall, the strike headquarters, every day and receive instructions and listen to advice. Mr. McMahon does not believe there will be any more violence and he looks for an early settlement of the trouble. He will address a meeting of Greek workers to be held tomorrow morning in the basement of the Greek Orthodox church.

Plasterers Elect Officers
Members of the Plasterers' union elected officers for the ensuing year at their meeting held last night in "Cotton Spinners" hall. James Wallworth was selected to occupy the head office of the organization and William McNally was selected for vice-president. Frank Warnock was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Mr. Warnock has served several years in this position. Patrick Walsh will be the new sergeant-at-arms. One of the most important subjects considered at the session was that of conducting a smoke talk during the first part of January. The secretary-treasurer's report showed the financial condition of the organization to be in good condition and all the members steadily employed.

STAYS IN DRY COLUMN

RECOUNT OF LICENSE VOTE IN REVERE SHOWS CITY NO BY 47 VOTES

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Revere stays dry. The recount of the license vote of Tuesday took place at Revere city hall last night in the presence of a large crowd of no-license and license workers.

A gain of one vote was made by the license men and a gain of four by the no-license men, so that the no-license majority is 47 instead of 44. The final vote was 1403 yes and 1450 no.

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Carry the smallish parcels when you can. Use the right hand doors and keep to the right in the aisles.

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Only 98c Each

Regular Price \$1.98

We have just received a shipment of Scotch Flannel Waists, in assorted colors, and sizes 36 to 44; that usually sell for \$1.98.

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Make Very Useful as Well as Acceptable Gifts

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LADIES' UMBRELLAS

Ladies' Wrist Umbrellas—Short handles, all silk, small roll. Colors only: Navy blue, black with fancy colored border, violet, green, red, gray—with ivory tips and inch wide silk loop in handle with ivory ornament. \$5.00 and \$5.50 Each

Ladies' All Silk Umbrellas—In brown, three shades of blue, green and red; natural wood handles. \$1.98 Each

Ladies' Rainproof Umbrellas—Black only, 26 inch frame; natural wood handles; also silver trimmed. \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 Each

Ladies' All Silk Umbrellas—Black, blue, green and red; handles to match. \$3 and \$3.50
Ladies' Suit Case Umbrellas—Black only; natural wood handles. \$1.50 Each
Children's Umbrellas. 50c, 75c, \$1.00

MEN'S UMBRELLAS

Men's 28-inch Silk Umbrellas—Silver trimmed assorted handles. \$3.00 and \$3.50 Each
Men's 28-inch Umbrellas—Congo wood, mission and silver trimmed handles. \$2.00 and \$2.50 Each

Men's 28-inch Umbrellas—Light ribs; silver trimmed and natural wood handles. \$1.00 and \$1.50 Each

WE ENGRAVE ALL OUR UMBRELLAS DURING THE HOLIDAYS FREE OF CHARGE

CHILD WELFARE BILLS FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER

Five Important Measures to Be Considered by Next Legislature Affecting Minors

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Five child welfare bills have been filed with the clerk of the house, for action by the next legislature. The sponsor for all of the bills is James B. Hayes, an agent of St. Mary's infant asylum.

One of the bills provides that when a summons is issued against a minor less than seventeen years of age, charged with a misdemeanor, the parent or guardian shall be notified to be present at the hearing, such notice to be given at least sixty hours prior to the hearing.

Another prohibits the attendance of minors less than eighteen years of age at sessions of any criminal court as spectators, and imposes a fine of \$1 upon any minor attending such sessions, and also upon any court officer who permits a minor to remain in the court room.

A third provides that an assignment of wages by a parent having one or more minor children shall not be valid unless assented to in writing by the state board of charity or by the overseers of the poor of the city or town in which the assignor resides.

Still another provides that when a parent is found guilty of neglect of a minor child, the child shall be committed to the care of a probation officer, but shall remain in the custody of the parent, and the magistrate committing the child may order payment from the county treasury to the probation officer of such sums as may be necessary for the support of the child.

The final bill provides that claims by public institutions or incorporated charitable organizations for the support of minor children shall have precedence over assignments of wages.

HOYT.

How the Lower Prices of Necessities are Quoted—Prices Lower Than at Thanksgiving

One week from today will be Christmas and practically every housewife is making preparations for the big dinner. Although the work of selecting the necessities is a difficult task, the all-important matter is the prices of the various articles which are to make up the Christmas dinner. There is one consolation, however, that the greater part of the commodities will be cheaper than they were at Thanksgiving.

The markets are already gay with Christmas greenery, wreaths, festoons and berries and the windows are filled with gift baskets of assorted fruit and all the good things that go to make a holiday dinner. Everything is plentiful in the retail markets and provision men promise that turkeys will be several cents cheaper than at Thanksgiving.

Turkeys are selling for from 15 cents a pound up, small young turkeys varying from 25 to 28 cents per pound. Roasting chickens are listed at 25 and 28 cents per pound and broilers at 25 cents. Fresh killed western fowl is listed at 15 1/2 cents per pound and native fowl from 20 to 24 cents.

Cranberries are not as plentiful as at Thanksgiving, but there is a good supply in Lowell and although there may be a slight advance in the price it will not prevent everyone from having cranberry sauce to go with the turkey.

The price of geese and ducks is about the same as it was at Thanksgiving. Steaks vary from 18 cents for round to 24 cents for porterhouse, though some of the better quality of steaks run much higher. Chops are very reasonable, running from pork chops at 12 cents to veal chops at 16 cents per pound. Spring lamb is listed at 16 cents per pound while sirloin beef can be secured at 15 cents per pound and upwards.

Despite the fact that sugar took a jump of about 15 cents a barrel last week five pounds can be purchased for 23 cents. Potatoes sell at 23 cents a peck and yellow onions at 35 cents a peck.

Vegetables are listed as follows: Egg plant, 12 cents per pound; spinach, 15 cents per peck; bell peppers, 15 cents a pound; cauliflower, 10 cents per pound; watercress, 3 cents a bunch; mint, 6 cents a bunch; celery, 10 cents a bunch; parsley, 25 cents a pound; turnips, 2 cents a pound; carrots, 2 cents a pound; parsnips, two pounds for 3 cents; horse radish, 10 cents a pound; cabbage, 3 cents a pound and green beans, 12 cents a quart.

Grape fruit is selling three for ten cents and tangerines 10 cents a dozen. Emperor grapes are seven cents a pound and Malagas, 12 1/2 cents. Bananas are listed at from ten cents per dozen up and oranges, 19 cents up. Nuts are plentiful.

IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

BEAUTY IN CLEANLINESS

The first requirement of a healthy skin is to keep it clean. Early morning is the best time to wash the face to the elements, the sun, the wind and the rain. But with the advent of clothes the elements could no longer serve the purposes of the toilet of the whole body, and so the bath and its accessories in the shape of water softeners, perfumes, soaps, skin foods, and all the other appurtenances of a strenuous civilization came into being.

The daily bath is as essential to beauty as daily bread is to life. The skin is an organ, one and indivisible, and as such cannot be expected to be beautiful only in selected parts, as for example, the face and neck, and perhaps the shoulders and back.

A beautiful skin is, of course, a skin that performs its natural function in the most harmonious way. You cannot expect that one bodily organ can be healthy in one part and unhealthy in another. Your face cannot look healthy if the rest of your skin is blotchy or discolored or otherwise abnormal.

Hence the necessity of seeing that the skin of the whole body has the due need of attention. Then, and then only, is perfect beauty of complexion likely to be obtained. The ultimate object of the use of washing gloves or scented soaps and softeners, and all the other aids to beauty that litter the bathroom, is the crowning triumph of a peach bloom and cream complexion.

THE FRENCH MAID SAYS:

FORGETFULNESS OF SELF

"I don't feel the Christmas spirit at all this year," complained Marjorie. "I haven't any money to make gifts with anyway and I hope no one gives me anything," she continued selfishly. "The greatest art in the world is self-forgetfulness," said Maria. "We are so apt to think that we may be useful to others that we personally do not feel like rising to an occasion or entering into the spirit of this blessed holiday time. There is a college girl I know who has heavy financial losses, making her usual gifts impossible, but to assure her friends she does not forget she is writing the dearest notes on scarlet paper with gold ink, sealing the envelopes with a Christmas emblem."

"Gifts of home-made cakes, fine macarons, mince pies and cookies are acceptable to young housekeepers, bachelors and college folks who may be unable to participate in the Christmas festivities at their own homes."

"Speaking of things to eat, as nearly everyone dines sumptuously in the middle of the day on Christmas, this supper was planned to satisfy but not overwork the inner man, who is generally taxed to the utmost on feast days."

"First, there was an appetizing array of fruits in combination, served in orange cups resting on a dolly, made of oranges, grapefruit, bananas, grated pineapple, lemon juice and cherry with sugar to sweeten. It was chilled and seemed to be just the appetizer necessary."

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"Then came fried oysters, old fashioned colds, hot biscuit, potato chips, individual mounds of cranberry jelly, shrimp salad, toasted crackers, coffee, cheese, nuts, and white grapes. The salted nuts were in little shaped boxes and the name cards were tied to small Christmas tree boxes, which were filled with bonbons wrapped in gilt paper."

AN AUTOMOBILE BILL

AFFECTING RESIDENTS WITHIN 15 MILES OF STATE LINE FILED IN LEGISLATURE

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Residents of New Hampshire living within 15 miles of the Massachusetts state line will benefit materially in the matter of their automobile licenses in Massachusetts, if the legislature passes a bill which was filed yesterday by Rep. Frederick Butler of Lawrence.

Under the law as it stands today, any resident of another state may operate an automobile in Massachusetts without securing a Massachusetts license, provided he does not come into this state for more than ten days during the year. The bill filed by Rep. Butler provides that any person living in another state, but within 15 miles of Massachusetts, may operate an automobile in Massachusetts, provided he does not go a distance of more than 15 miles from the state line, upon payment of a license fee of \$2, and any non-resident would thus be able to come into this state every day in the year for that sum, instead of the full registration fee, dependent upon horse power, which he is now required to pay in case he comes into this state more than ten days.

The Lawrence representative also filed yesterday bills providing that hereafter none but citizens shall be appointed to positions in state institutions, and that money for repairs on state institutions shall be raised by bond issues, instead of by direct taxation.

HOYT.

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ADJOURNS FOR HOLIDAYS

CONGRESS TO RECONVENE JAN. 4—EMERGENCY TAX LAW EXTENDED TO DEC. 31, 1915

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Congress adjourned last night for the Christmas holidays, after the senate had adopted the joint resolution which passed the house Thursday extending the emergency revenue law one year, or until Dec. 31, 1916.

The senate adopted the resolution after a lively partisan debate by a vote of 45 to 25, democrats supporting it and republicans unanimously opposing it.

President Wilson signed the measure last night and will reconvene at noon Tuesday, Jan. 4, when the administration legislative program, including the plans for national defense, will be undertaken in earnest.

During the two weeks of the session the only important legislation was the extension of the war tax. This was done to prevent a lapse of the law Dec. 31 next, with the understanding that the law will be taken up for amendment in order to increase the revenues as soon after the holidays as possible.

Discussion of war revenue resolution in the senate resolved itself into a tariff argument. Republicans assailing the Underwood law as inadequate and condemning the general fiscal policy of the administration.

Senator Underwood of Alabama, in his first senate speech, vigorously upheld the law which bears his name, and challenged republicans to compare it with the Payne-Aldrich tariff.

Revenues were greater in the first year of the present tariff law, he added, than in the last year of the Payne law.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, in response to questions favor the republicans, said he understood it to be the administration's plan to propose further revenue legislation after the holidays and that his impression was there would be no issuance of bonds to defray increased expenses of the government, including the preparedness program.

Senator Penrose insisted that the war had been a political blessing to the democratic party rather than a handicap to the successful working out of its free trade policy.

Republicans who joined in the debate included Senators Lodge, Smoot, Gronna, Gallinger and Weeks. Senators Thomas and Gore supported Senator Simmons and Underwood.

REPORT PHILIPPINE BILL

Self-Government Bill Goes to Senate—Alarms in Islands Are Charged in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A favorable report on the administration bill to extend the measure of self-government in the Philippines was voted into yesterday by the senate Philippine committee at the conclusion of two days of hearings.

Senator Lippitt cast the only vote against the report.

The provision in the bill against polygamy was changed so as to prohibit contracting hereafter of polygamy or plural marriages.

At the house a resolution which provided for investigation of the Philippine government and conditions in the archipelago by a special house committee, was introduced yesterday by Representative Miller of Minnesota, who recently visited the islands.

The resolution stated that "a competent authority" has asserted that Spanish-American war veterans in the Philippine civil service have been removed without cause, that there have been gross abuses of the civil service rules, and that the Philippine government is demoralized and incompetent.

Court Wannalancit, Catholic Order of Foresters held a well attended and interesting meeting this week in Foresters hall, Mount Pleasant street.

Much interest was taken in the proceedings of the session, the business transacted including the consideration of a number of matters of great importance to the organization. Two candidates were admitted into membership with the customary degree honors and four applications for membership were received.

Miss Mary K. Daley, one of the prominent members is likely to become entitled to one of the special prizes offered by the High Chief Ranger Joseph T. Brennan, to those members throughout the state who bring in a certain number of candidates within a specified time.

Deputy High Chief Ranger John A. Healy of Court Westford has also offered several prizes to the sister members of the North Chelmsford court who introduce the largest number of candidates within a given time, which expires next February.

The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place at the next regular meeting to be held December 23 and the following were appointed at this week's session as two separate committees to bring in a list of candidates for the different offices: Committee No. 1, Treasurer John P. McManamin, Dr. James P. Hobart and James R. Gookin; committee, No. 2, P. C. A., Harry O. Miner, Fred Ready and Adolphus Maloney.

A social hour was enjoyed after the meeting during which refreshments were served. The arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Henry O. Miner and Mrs. Michael J. Welsh.

St. John's Church
Masses at St. John's church on Sunday will be at the regular hours with Rev. Edmund T. Schofield, the pastor, as the celebrant. Rev. Fr. Scott will celebrate mass at St. Catherine's church in Graniteville.

The various church societies are very busy at the present time making arrangements for the Christmas services. The church and altars will be beautifully decorated and a special musical program will be given by the church choir on that day.

St. Alban's Mission
At St. Alban's mission on Christmas morning services will be held at 9 o'clock with Rev. Wilson Waters as preacher. The celebration of holy communion will take place at this service. A special musical program will be rendered by an augmented choir.

Congregational Church
Great preparations are being made for Christmas by the societies connected with the Congregational church. Rev. Franklin Reeves, pastor of the church will preach at both the morning and evening services and an elaborate musical program will be carried out.

Monday night's blizzard was the means of placing the roads of the village in excellent condition for sleighing, and a fall of another 10 inches of snow will put them in perfect state. The snow spoiled the skating at Crystal lake and Swany's pond but coasting is now being indulged in by the majority of the young people.

Schools
The schools closed yesterday afternoon for the Christmas vacation with appropriate exercises. They will reopen on January 3.

The evening drawing school has been fully organized and will be in session two nights a week, Tuesdays and Fridays. The management has secured the services of Fred Swain as an instructor.

St. John's T. A. Society
Preliminary arrangements have been made for the minstrel show to be conducted by the members of St. John's Total Abstinence society and indications are that the affair will be a great success.

Henry L. Scott will take an active part in helping the various committees who are to have charge of the affair. The show will be conducted during the latter part of January.

Hallings
Wotton's new three story building and the building erected for Mrs. Adams at Stevens' corner are nearing completion and the latter will be occupied as a store by Mrs. J. Marinel within two weeks. Mr. Wotton, it is said, is contemplating leasing the lower part of his building for a market and the upper stories as tenements.

The Political Situation
Not much interest is being taken at present in town politics as it is so near Christmas. The annual town meeting as announced previously will be held the second Monday of February and several matters of im-

THEY DO SAY

That there is no mufly in the army.

That coasting accidents are now in order.

That the gas light hearing was quite illuminating.

That a few give the weather too much credit.

That the local car service is running itself lately.

That it is about time to practice writing 1916.

That a toothache is what Sherman said war was.

That "Chet" Martel is still a phenom on the allers.

That Billy Grady's pigeons are the fastest in the land.

That John E. McCallum makes an ideal foremaster.

That the pen of the critic must not touch the architect.

That the Indians know how to entertain their friends.

That there is some battle on in the City Bowling League.

That sleigh bells are much more musical than auto horns.

That Brown wonders who will make the motions next year.

That the ambulance drivers are breathing easy again.

That at least one employe at city hall is on the anxious seat.

That the Christmas tree and the music will be worth \$200.

That there are several candidates for Martin Conley's job.

That a man who carries a cane raised "cain" the other night.

That the price has gone up on second hand rubber coats.

That there are three Jimmies who are tickled with the election.

That the election of O'Donnell didn't reduce the price of turkeys.

That many a fireman's wife is tickled over the result of the election.

That there are only a few more days to do your Christmas shopping.

That you've got to hand it to Fred Lebel to preside over a smoke talk.

That Mayor-elect O'Donnell will make 'em sit up and take notice.

That the French citizens asserted their power in an emphatic manner.

That certain automobilists were serving two masters on Tuesday.

That the city messenger for 1916 will be Owen Monahan—and then some.

That somebody has learned that little Eddie will not stand for a butinsky.

That the suffragettes and the anti-saloon league will keep up the fight.

That there was some jollification at Club Lafayette last Tuesday evening.

That the sleighs and skates have been polished and are kept very busy.

That "Herb" Merrill's claims were greatly enjoyed by the boys last night.

That the mayor-elect will have an opportunity to forget a lot of injuries.

That the rotary club social on Christmas eve promises to be a big success.

That if you neglect the present, you can't expect much from the future.

That the street railway men are "wearing the smile that won't come off."

That Bill has designs on the pheasant and the other Bill is watching him.

That too many punches will change both the color and the shape of the nose.

That last Monday night's storm is a slight reminder that the worst is yet to come.

That fighters appearing in police court should be sentenced to the trenches.

That if you cannot do your Xmas shopping early, you can at least get it through before Saturday.

That one of the disappointed consoling himself over 1000 on the plate at Evans' lunch room.

That the firemen were a happy lot on Tuesday night. They put up a good fight and deserved to win.

That "Dick" Flynn is the right man in the right place as president of the Lowell Nest of Owls.

That the Wiggville car tried this morning to rival the High street and was only 25 minutes late.

That the mayor would have been better off without at least one of his newspaper friends.

That Dr. Allen thinks the new high

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school ought to be built in the vicinity of the Middlesex street depot.

That we often wonder what has become of the old-fashioned boy who used to have chubbiness all winter.

That Pres. Fred Crowley of the local chapter's union is a very active and efficient official and employe.

That one way to help a girl to follow the straight and narrow path is to give her more pay.

That John Cull is an optimist. He believes that failures are often blessings in disguise.

That the little kick-up in Company C happened a month ago, but was not a mullin.

That the many Lowell friends of Jimmie Calton were delighted to learn that he was elected.

That a pessimist is a fellow who wears smoked glasses so he won't see the silver lining on the cloud.

That while all of the firemen did their share toward bringing about the one day off in five, Capt. Herb Merrill was a particularly zealous helper.

That two years ago the O'Donnell supporters from the mayor-elect down showed that they were good losers. Here's hoping.

That the white birds which appeared near Centralville bridge during the early part of the week were not the doves of peace.

That the police department should be severely censured for allowing the kidnapper to get away with the James children.

That the policeman who was told that a shoe shine would not last a week on the ice house beat has lost his smile.

That a local newspaperman who was parading around with a "nothing-to-it" banner, now realizes that there was "something to it."

That with the police department engaged in a hot campaign, it is useless

to report a kidnapping until the contest is over.

That the baseball war being settled, it would be a good idea to send Barney Dreyfuss and Ben Johnson over to Europe.

That the old-fashioned man who used to get fired from his job now has a son who fires his employers before they get a chance to fire him.

That old Nick has a hand in the delays of the High street car just to get the waiting passengers sweating around Merrimack square.

That when an agent happens to refer to father as the head of the family, mother doesn't say much, but she smiles a very sarcastic smile.

That the old saying "when a man makes his own bed let him lie in it" applies to political beds, though some people apparently aren't aware of the fact.

That the scene of the mayor and the mayor-elect shaking hands at the Indian club banquet was somewhat different from the one enacted there a few weeks ago.

That the big difference between the four-legged mule that wears harness and the two-legged mule that wears clothes is that the four-legged mule will always bring \$300 on the hoof.

That Fireman George McDermott, who after carefully guarding a squash pie all the way on a Fletcher street car, slipped while getting off at the corner of Cross street and squashed it.

That the reason you fear a girl will catch cold when she goes out in a snowstorm in a thin gown and nothing much under it but a pair of cobweb stockings is because you do not know how warm-hearted she is.

That a city hall employe evidently wangled his dinner money on the election, for Wednesday he was seen putting away a plate of beans, while sitting up at the bar in a local restaurant.

That a man can live next door to another man for ten years and not know the other man's name, but a woman can live next door to another woman for ten minutes and know the whole family history of the other woman.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

OPERA HOUSE

Today is the last chance for the theatergoers of this city to see "The Law of the Land," George Broadhurst's wonderful dramatic sensation which has been playing to packed houses at the Opera House all the week and which is the biggest hit scored by the Emerson Players since the opening of the season. There are still some good seats left which should be secured early as the demand will certainly be enormous and many will be disappointed.

Sunday afternoon and night, the Opera House will offer a great program of vaudeville and picture features with five big acts and as many reels of the newest features in photoplays, including both comedy and dramatic subjects.

One of the vaudeville headliners is the Rathskeller Trio, in songs and a piano, an act which has been a grand hit in all the big cities and which offers a repertoire of the songs and line of laugh material that is sure to please Lowell theatergoers. Jack Boyce, the "prince of comedians" with a wealth of songs and jokes is another "great" act. Boyce is considered the best single entertainer in vaudeville and has a habit of chatter that will make one cry with laughter.

The International Trio is another top-notch act that is sure to meet with a royal reception. It is a classy sing-lure and talker act which brings over with merit. Nelson Lockhart, the piano wizard is on the bill also while Andrews and Ashley offer a singing act which is one of the most pro-

nounced hits of the whole season. It is a great act.

There are two performances, the matinee starting at 2:15 while the evening performance starts at 7:30. Seats are selling in advance, the prices being 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c.

All next week, starting with a special bon bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson Players will present "The Big Idea" by August Thomas and Clayton Hamilton. This is a story of the greatest successes scored on the world's stage in recent years, enjoying record-breaking runs at the Fulton theatre in New York and the Plymouth in Boston. It is also known as "Wanted—\$22,000."

"Wanted—\$22,000" tells an unusual story. The curtain rises on a dark stage with two voices being heard. One is an old man and the other young and ambitious. The older man says that he must have \$22,000 by a certain time or face financial ruin. The younger man, who happens to be his son, suggests that he (the son) could do a scheme to get the money.

The two (think it over and are almost in despair when a young lady comes along with a scheme that is better than anything they have thought of. The two collaborate and their success is beautifully told in this great story. There is a comedy of errors of comedy and pathos—a story that is particularly pleasing and appealing.

This play will prove the biggest hit of the season. It is a sure fire success every night and the Emerson Players will offer a production that will be the talk of the whole city. Patrons should arrange now to secure seats for the play, as early in the week as possible. Many will wait until the latter part of the week and will be disappointed. Arranges your Christmas shopping Sunday and you will not miss this great play.

On Christmas day, the matinee will start at 3 o'clock instead of the usual time, 2:15, thus allowing the children to enjoy their dinner and see the matinee performance. Seats are now selling, and the entire week can be secured by phoning 251 anytime from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

D. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

Tomorrow afternoon and evening an excellent list of entertainers will be featured in the management of the D. F. Keith theatre. On the Sunday shows. These have come to be known as the very best which are given in this city on Sundays. (Leading the list of acts will be Alfred the wonder of the list, who will give a repertoire of numbers specially chosen for the day. Alfred has scored very heavily during the present week, and on Sunday, there will be given the finest of comedies to hear him for many months to come, for on Tuesday he sails from New York for England, where he will appear for a period of six months. Another act on the Sunday bill which should create much interest, is that to be given by Raymond and Caverley. They are always entertaining, and may be relied upon to give a good account of themselves. Also Master Gabriel, the intangible midget, will appear in recitations and songs. Rice & Franklin, in songs, and two other acts will also appear. Six reels of motion pictures will also be shown.

The feature attraction of next week's bill will be decidedly out of the ordinary, and it will consist of a straightforward presentation of the fine melodies of different races. Sponsor Kelly and Marion Wilder will present "Melodies—Past and Present," and they will have the assistance of Miss Charlotte Maloney, violinist, and Miss Dorothy Haynes, pianist. This act is a decided novelty, in that the dear old songs of all peoples are brought home to a manner which is particularly new with complete approbation. There will be sung and played the love laments, the mother songs, the war numbers and the intimate comic numbers of many races and they will all be trained to the accompaniment of the song from the earliest times. This act is given in a manner thoroughly comprehensible by any audience, and there is no doubt as to its success.

"Dogville on a Busy Day" is the title of the rare little animal act to be given by Derkin's animal actors. The score of dogs and cats are trained to a degree of excellence that is most remarkable. The fun shown in the pantomime given by these dumb beasts will be greatly appreciated. The skill of the trainer is almost completely forgotten when one watches the many little things these animals perform.

Kenny & Hollis, who have occasionally paid visits to this city in the past, will be seen in a brand new sketch based on college life, and called "Freshie's Initiation." These two funny men have for some time represented the college type on the vaudeville stage and they are considered to be the best personations of care-free collegians. They sing and they dance, and as comedy actors they are all sufficient.

"Sweet" Gallagher and pretty Irene Martin are frequently known as "the up-to-the-minute" pair. Mr. Gallagher is a light comedian, well known on the comic opera stage, and Mrs. Martin was a feature with Gus Edwards' Song Revue, a year ago. Robinson & McShane are blackface comedians, with a lot of new patter and songs and situations to offer, and the Thren Floods are comedy acrobats and ventriloquists. Bessie and William Ransdell are graceful and agile dancers, and they perform admirably almost every known variety of the modern dance. Formerly they were with "The Rose Maid."

"The Spring Maid," "The Red Mill," and "The Tenderfoot." In addition to these acts there will be shown the Hearst-Selig News Pictorial. Good seats for all performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

One of the most elaborately staged and thrilling motion pictures ever seen here will be shown at the Merrimack Square theatre at all the performances today for the last time. This picture is the five-act Paramount feature, starring Lou Tellegen. Some of the scenes are so realistic and natural that they make you almost rise in your seat. For instance, the whipping scene, where Mr. Tellegen is tied to the whipping post and is given 50 lashes on his bare body at the order of the cruel captain, who later turns out to be his own father who left England for Algiers many years before because of disgrace. When the whipping is over his back appears to bear the bloody welts caused by the stinging blows. This is but one of the realistic incidents of this play which will be seen today for the last time. There are other excellent numbers on the bill for the last three days of this week. The main attraction in the continuous concert to be given tomorrow will be the grand feature, "The Little Dutch Girl," which is a screen adaptation of "Two Little Wooden Shoes," in which appears Vivian Martin, a perfect income. This picture, which has the advantages of most beautiful settings, delightful costuming and clever characterizations, has a fine cast to support Miss Martin, including Dorothy Fairchild and others. This story is one of the most pathetic and appealing ever told upon the screen. Don't fail to see this picture and the many other entertaining pictures to be shown at the Sunday concert tomorrow.

OWL THEATRE

"The Last Concert," a heart stirring photodrama in four reels, will again be the attraction at the Owl theatre today. Featured in this great Mutual masterpiece is Ellis Glickman, the famous emotional dramatic star, and he is ably supported by an all star cast. Two real Keystone comedy will also be presented at the Owl today.

"KIDS" PARTY AT Y.W.C.A.

The following program was presented by the "Kids" party held last evening by the gymnasium classes of the Young Women's Christian association:

Grand march; music, Kriss Kringle orchestra; address of welcome, Santa Claus, Miss Doris Messer; song, "Merry Christmas to You," all; recitation, Miss Selbeck; snow song, high school girls; violin solo, Carolyn Grabi; "A Story,"

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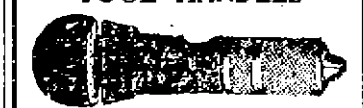
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little girl and boy: "Christmas Bells," all; "Jes' Fore Christmas," five boys' song; "Santa's Sleigh Bells," intermission song; recitation, "All He Wanted for Christmas," Vena Tibbets; recitation, "The Teddy Bear," Gladys Parsons; recitation, Miss Washburn; song, "Don't You Tell," song, "Christmas Bells," all; grand finale, orchestra.

HALF HOLIDAY BILL

FOR ALL CITY LABORERS MAY COME BEFORE PEOPLE NEXT FALL

Special to The Sun
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Every employe of the city of Lowell will be given a half-holiday each week, without loss of pay, if the leg-

islature passes and the voters of the city accept a bill filed with the clerk of the senate yesterday afternoon by Senator-elect Edward F. McLaughlin of Boston. The bill provides:

"All persons regularly and permanently employed by any city or town in any capacity, and whose services can be dispensed with, shall be given a half-holiday on every Saturday in the year without loss of pay. In case the services of any employe cannot consistently with the public interest, be dispensed with on Saturday afternoon, he shall be given a half holiday once each week on some other day, without loss of pay."

"This act shall be submitted to the voters of each of the cities and towns of the commonwealth at the next annual state election for their acceptance or rejection, and shall take effect in any city or town upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon in the affirmative."

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To the Man Who Tends His Own Heater Fire

The worst part of the job is shaking down the fire and shovelling out ashes. You often wonder how the coal you burn can make so many ashes. Then the dust from ashes and coal dust together often make the cellar so "thick" you can hardly breathe.

Get rid of this dirt, dust and drudgery by using Lowell Coke. It is clean. It makes few ashes.

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Yours truly,
(Signed) WM. S. JOHNSTON, 131 Gorham Street.
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AMERICAN RAILROADS LEAD

That we have had many and serious railroad ills in this country no one will deny, and it may be a surprise to many to learn that notwithstanding all their defects, our railroads still lead the world. Yet such seems to be the case, judging from facts and figures recently compiled by the Bureau of Railway Economics. Comparative statistics for the railroads of the United States and of 35 foreign countries serve to show the unquestionable superiority of the railroads of this country. This fact is not a strong argument for government ownership, and it will serve as a rebuke to those who propose government ownership as the best solution of our railroad problems.

With one exception, the railroads of this country pay a higher average wage than those of any other. The exception is western Australia, and there receipts per ton mile are almost twice as great as in the United States. Here, the average annual wage of the railroad employee in 1912 was \$730. In Australia, New Zealand and Canada, the average annual wage reaches one-half that amount.

While wages are higher with us, freight rates per ton mile are lower than the rates in any other country—again with one exception. The exception is India, where labor is surprisingly cheap. In almost all other countries, freight rates are 50 per cent higher than in the United States. Furthermore, in capitalization per mile, this country is exceeded by all the principal countries of the world. In the United Kingdom the rate for capitalization is \$277.147 per mile; in Belgium it is \$216.143; in Russia it is \$149.814; in France it is \$148.436; in Germany it is \$116.385. The average capitalization per mile for the United States is only \$63.535.

In one respect a superficial review shows a result unfavorable to us. That is in passenger rates which here are greater than anywhere else. Yet, in this the service of American railroads is so superior as to offset the higher cost. A comprehensive review such as this serves to warn the people against advising radical measures as a cure for our railroad defects. If we lead the world while tolerating such gross abuses, what may we not hope for when the railroads get over their present difficulties, as they seem in a fair way of doing?

VALUE OF IMMIGRANTS

If it were not such a serious matter, it would be amusing to see how quickly the sentiment of the country is changing in connection with the immigrant question.

In an address before the Credit Men's association in Boston a few days ago, Mr. Roger Babson, the well known statistician, is reported to have said: "The best crop in the country is not cotton, corn or wheat. No, the immigration crop is the most valuable. Figure it out for yourself. Estimate the cost of raising a worker from the cradle to 18 years of age, including food, clothing, education and all; and then multiply that figure by 1,000,000, and you have the value of our annual immigrant crop before the present war."

Now, provided the immigrants are desirable and provided we can take care of them and give them work, the truth of the above is obvious. When immigrants are physically strong, free from mental taint and anxious to become Americanized they are desirable, and there is work in plenty for all, with proper distribution. When we see the marvelous exploits of Germany during the present war and then reflect that Germany has 70 millions of people in an area about the size of Texas, it seems foolish to fear a surplus due to immigration. Only a year or so ago many influential persons and papers were warning the nation against the danger of unrestricted immigration, and the agitation blossomed out into a few congressional fights on the "literacy test" proposition.

Now, when the war has done the work of the literacy test, only far more effectively, it is beginning to dawn on our leaders that immigration is really a great factor for the progress and the prosperity of the United States.

There is a great opportunity for economic development in this country, not the least important phase of which shall be the utilization of the immigrant who in this stage of our development is a great boon to industrial America.

HAS THE TIME COME?

General Wille, commander-in-chief of the Swiss army and a staunch soldier, has declared his belief that the time has come for successful mediation between the warring powers by President Wilson and Pope Benedict. These two personages, he says, represent "the two most powerful forces in the world," and it is his belief that an appeal backed by all neutrals would be welcomed by all of the belligerents. That Germany and Austria would listen to peace proposals is the popular conviction, but would the allies be willing to make terms? As yet, there have been few notable victories against the Germans who are in the best strategic position to make

ried when there are no guests to entertain.

Good One on Harrett

Wilson Harrett, the celebrated actor, used to tell an amusing story against himself. At a time when he had a lot of workmen redecorating his private residence, thinking to give them a treat, he asked if, after work one evening, they would like to have some to go and see him play in "The Lights of London," at the Princess theatre. They said they didn't mind if they did, and, being complimentary tickets, all went on a Saturday night to see their employer's performance.

At the end of the week Harrett's eyes caught sight of this item against each workman's name on the pay sheet: "Saturday night. Four hours' overtime at Princess theatre, eight shillings."—Boston Post.

Tramping on Hannagan

Campaign cards do not lose all their usefulness even after the campaign is over. Some people keep them handy to write memoranda on the back; others utilize them for various purposes where small pieces of pasteboard come in handy, but some boys on Common street this morning had found a new use for them. They had a dozen or more of them and were engaging in some sort of game with them. One of them had dropped to the sidewalk just as an officer happened along, and the little fellow, who had them was not altogether careful to preserve its immaculate appearance. He nearly jumped out of his skin when the officer shouted at him: "Hey, there, don't walk all over Alderman Hannagan's face!"—Lawrence Telegram.

Kipling and His Check

The present crusade in England in favor of thrift recalls an amusing story about Rudyard Kipling.

At one time the famous author always used to pay his bills, no matter how small they happened to be, by check. After a while he discovered to his amazement that he had a dozen or so checks in his pocketbook. He went to the bank and asked the cashier to cash them for him. The cashier, however, told him that he was drawing checks for small amounts almost daily, his money at the bank did not seem to dwindle in the least.

For a long time he was at a loss to account for this anomalous fact, until one day, happening to visit an office where the principal was an enthusiastic autograph collector, he saw one of his own checks framed and hanging on the wall.

Then it was that the mystery was solved. It appeared that the local shopkeepers found that they could get more for Kipling's checks by selling them to autograph hunters than they could by cashing them at the bank, and thus it was that, although the author was drawing money, his capital remained almost stationary.—Exchange.

Driven From Home

She said "Spell Indisposition," and I did, and spelled it right; It was from the spelling lesson That she had brought home that night; Then she told me to spell "courage," And I did it; then I said "courage," and she said "courage," and I stayed till she was in bed!

Next night she said "Spell 'evolution,'" And I spelled it—rather slow; And I said "by the way, I'm a Jew!" And she said "I'm a Jew!" and I must pay a debt I owe To the grocer on the corner!" So I grabbed my hat and said: And I did not come back home till Sleep had come and claimed the kid.

And the next night I was happy Till she got her book out; then she looked over from her lesson "What is the meaning of the word 'evolution'?" And I spelled it, and she said: "To stay till she went to bed; I'm a man without a country, Or a roof above my head!"

Time was when my life was happy In my little Inglenook; When through the long winter evenings I would sit and read a book; But now she has spelling lessons, And which she studies until late, And which she cries on me, till I Drop my book and pull my freight.

"If there's half a million gallons In a small half-acre lake, How deep is the lake?" she asked me; I said: "Wait, I've got to take To the man who lives next door." And I did, and stayed till bedtime— I have no home any more!

—Judd M. Lewis in the Houston Post.

The Cat and the Sniper

How a cat at the front led to the killing of a troublesome German sniper is related by Louis Wain, the famous

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THWART PLAN TO ESCAPE

THREE CONVICTS SAWED BARS PREPARATORY TO DART FOR LIBERTY

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—A plan by which three prisoners in the house of correction on Deer Island hoped to escape on Christmas eve was thwarted through discoveries made last night by Carlisle I. Brett, master of the institution and David B. Shaw, penal commissioner. According to Brett, the three men, all considered by the authorities as dangerous criminals, had partly sawed the bars of their cells with hacksaws stolen from the engine room. Brett and Shaw, who had been informed by another prisoner that an attempted break was under way, concealed themselves in the building with the three men last night and overheard their discussion of their plans. Brett said that this conversation revealed that the men had intended to climb into the open on Christmas eve when they were to be met at the shore of the island with a boat to be furnished by another prisoner whose term was to expire that day.

TO PAY TITANIC CLAIMS

WHITE STAR LINE AGREES TO DISBURSE \$400,000 AMONG THOSE WHO LOST RELATIVES

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The White Star Line has agreed to pay \$400,000 in settlement of all claims arising from the sinking of the Titanic on April 15, 1912, when more than 1500 persons were drowned, attorneys for the line announced here yesterday.

Of this amount, approximately \$500,000 would be distributed among American claimants, \$50,000 to British claimants and \$14,000 would be required for interest and expenses increasing with the numerous suits.

Forty-four attorneys, representing that number of persons out of more than 60 who have filed claims against the line, have signified their willingness to accept the settlement terms, according to George W. Betts, Jr., one of the line's attorneys.

The proposition grew out of the activities of the claimants' committee, appointed last summer, which carried on a long investigation and fixed the total claims at \$2,800,000. As about \$500,000 would be paid directly to American claimants, Mr. Betts explained that each one would receive approximately 20 per cent of his claim. Under no circumstances, he added, will the money be distributed pro rata among the claimants.

If all the claimants, both in this country and Great Britain, agreed to the proposition, the White Star Line will be released from all further liability growing out of the Titanic disaster. The offer, however, is not contingent upon its acceptance by all claimants. Mr. Betts said that all who accept the proposition will receive their proper share. If any claimants do not accept their cases will be carried on in the courts.

The agreement, which calls for the money to be deposited in a New York bank, is now being circulated among those having claims, and must be acted upon by Dec. 30, to become operative.

COSTELLO WILL CASE

JUDGE MCINTIRE WILL CERTIFY THAT THERE IS A CASE FOR JURY TRIAL

After hearing the evidence in the will case of the late Mrs. Melinda Costello, Justice McIntire of the probate court suggested that there was ready to certify that in his opinion there is a proper case to be tried before a jury in case the contestants desire a jury trial, and accordingly the case was continued until next term of the superior court.

In her will Mrs. Costello left bequests as follows: To her sisters, Sarah A. Winsby and Phoebe B. Trider, both of Lowell, the sum of one dollar each; to her sister "Harriet Eleanor Witter, otherwise known as Eleanor Witter, of West Pigwashi, N. S.," one dollar; to James Bugallow, "otherwise known as James B. Bigelow, of Truro, N. S.," \$1000; to Ruby V. Parent, of Oakland, Cal., "daughter of a deceased brother," all her jewelry and wearing apparel. All the rest, residue and remainder of her property, real, personal or mixed, was left to Enoch Winsby of Oakland, Cal., her nephew, and he was appointed executor.

The will is being contested by Mrs. Costello's heirs-at-law.

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL

Christmas exercises were held at the Riverside school yesterday, the following program being carried out:

Chorus, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"; Reading, "Christmas Giving and Christmas Living"; Edna Parker Recitation, "Just 'Fore Christmas"; Harvey Manning Semi-chorus, "O Holy Night"; Mrs. H. H. King, Mrs. F. C. Garlick and Mrs. John Gale, "The Christmas Story"; Feb. 26—Miss E. A. Forsyth, Mrs. C. E. Clark, Miss Fannie Munroe, Mrs. C. G. Small and Mrs. J. W. Miller. March 22—Mrs. W. A. Patten, Mrs. C. A. Livingston, Miss Margaret Lee, Mrs. Harold Patten.

April 26—Mrs. Melvin Rogers, Miss Ethel Hargrave, Miss Theresa C. Small and Miss Blanche King.

September—Embroidery society. October—Dr. S. A. Dixon.

All the schools of the town closed yesterday afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation of one week.

A Christmas entertainment with two trees, one for the children and the other for adults, will be conducted Tuesday evening at Vestry hall by the members of the Tewksbury Grange. All are invited.

DRACUT SCHOOLS

All the schools of Dracut closed yesterday afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation of one week, and in accordance with the custom special exercises were held in all the schools. In some of the schools the teachers presented their pupils with books and other gifts, while the children reciprocated by giving souvenirs.

THE ASCENSION SOCIETY

The 25th anniversary of the "Ascension Society," occurred yesterday, and the society held the organization has rounded up a quarter century of helpful work in Lowell.

December 17th, 25th anniversary of the "Ascension Society" was held at the society's headquarters, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 249, 251, 253, 255, 257, 259, 261, 263, 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 289, 291, 293, 295, 297, 299, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 319, 321, 323, 325, 327, 329, 331, 333, 335, 337, 339, 341, 343, 345, 347, 349, 351, 353, 355, 357, 359, 361, 363, 365, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

Political Gossip of the Capital— President Wilson Declines to Smoke Pipe of Peace

Special to The Sun
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The week past has been principally devoted to handshaking, so far as outward appearance tells the story. Scarcely had the democratic national committee completed its work, fixed a convention date and shaken hands all around as evidence of harmony and good fellowship towards the throngs of men who filled every hotel to the brim, than the republicans gathered here for the same purpose. They too shook hands all around and offered sugar-coated claims of favorite sons for the presidency. They slipped right into the places made vacant by departing democrats, and they too banqueted, sang songs of praise and cried harmony. It was noticeable that no open declaration of a probable candidate came from even the boosters of men supposed to be towards the front in the line of a dozen or more men present who signified their hope of being the one selected. It was a case of "Barkis is willin'" applying to eleven of the men attending the republican banquet, and the democrats smiled complacently as they realized that this year, at least, they need not meet a divided party at the convention.

Too Mealy Mouthed
Representative Longworth said the republican party is "too mealy mouthed" and perhaps that had something to do with their decision to step lively and hold their convention June 15th instead of letting it follow the democratic convention later in the month. The last democratic convention ran into July and the temperature at Baltimore touched three figures of the most sweltering heat imaginable before it was closed. People who sat day and night through that experience are openly rejoicing that the dates this year give promise of better weather. Every one is preparing for a very long session, and men who live within a reasonable distance of Washington are going home for the holiday recess, to get a last breath of freedom. There won't be a baker's dozen senators and representatives in town by the time the recess begins.

Women Suffragists Blocked
Women suffragists who have been rounding up senators and representatives haven't been shy about pleading the cause. The street cars have been patronized by women wearing huge placards "Votes for Women" and the corridors of the capitol have been crowded with advocates of suffrage. The attempt to get an opportunity to speak from the floor of the house failed. At the moment the matter was brought up for consideration, the galleries were filled with women who eagerly watched and listened. Representative Nolan of California submitted the request. There was a moment of silence, then Page of North Carolina rose and addressed the speaker. All eyes were turned in his direction to hear a burst of eloquence. It came in two words. "I object," said the Carolinian. "That settles it," said the speaker, who is a suffragist. The move was adjourned. Floor leaders, kitchen and adjournment was made on the instant, while Nolan and Page were still on their feet and the handsomely dressed women in the gallery still watched and listened. Later in the week followed another unexpected blow to the suffragettes.

Representative Burns of South Carolina introduced a resolution to investigate the alleged lobby of women to influence national legislation. He

asked for an investigation regarding the expenditure of \$40,000 that the Women's Congressional Union is said to have raised for that purpose. When the matter was brought to the attention of the women at the headquarters, they are said to have replied: "We have got \$500 more since then," and smiled defiantly.

Declines Pipe of Peace
A few days ago Little Man, Brainin-Good and an interpreter who had come on from Oklahoma to sell some lands, called on the president. Little Man, who has two wives and five children and who says he is thinking of marrying again soon, was greatly interested in the news of the president's approaching marriage. Arrayed in the full regalia of their tribe—bells, feathers, moccasins and blankets—this small but picturesque delegation made the presidential office look like a wigwam. Little Man uttered a great number of grunts and growls which the interpreter unraveled and told the president were congratulations on the coming marriage. Whereupon the president shook hands all 'round and thanked them. He declined to smoke with them, however, and it had to be explained to the visitors that the pipe of peace is not the custom here. Learning this they at once conformed to modern methods and did not regard the act as unfriendly. After a few more grunts and growls, signifying their good feeling for the "Great White Father," they stolidly left the room, taking with them expressions of good will from President Wilson to their tribe, in the far west.

Postmaster General's Dinners
Postmaster General and Mrs. Burleson have instituted a novel and what in these trying diplomatic times may prove a difficult series of dinners, attended by many distinguished guests. At the dinner given last week a Mexican menu was prepared, the table decorations were in the flaming Mexican colors. Things were served in true Mexican style and the high seasonings and abundance of garlic were not omitted, so the guests say. Dinner to specialize the customs of other countries will follow from time to time, for the Burlesons are lavish entertainers, and have two very attractive daughters.

Newspapermen Prominent
The congressional directory, in its list of biographies, shows that with the single exception of lawyers, newspapermen compose the greatest number of any one profession represented in senate and house of the 64th congress. Their former positions ranged from typesetters to editors and publishers, and some are even now actively engaged in the work. Of those in New England who have in the past or now have a hand in newspaper business are Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire who began business life as a printer; Senator Burleigh of Maine, publisher of the Kennebec Journal; Senator Johnson of Maine, a large owner in the Waterville Sentinel; Representative Asher Hinds of Maine, who was editor of a Portland newspaper before entering on a political career, and Representatives Galvin and Walsh of Massachusetts who were both active newspaper men.

Col. Cody's View
Col. Cody, of wild west fame and one of the most fearless army guides known, is in town, and states that all through the far west there is a strong sentiment for preparedness. Said he:

"I spoke to more than a million people last summer and fall and whenever I mentioned preparedness it was received with most wonderful demonstration of approval." Col. Cody has just finished a lecture tour of wide scope.

Congressional Library
The great library of congress, which is housed in the most beautiful building on this continent, reports that on its shelves are 2,363,573 volumes and additional prints, charts and pieces of music numbering upwards of a half-million more. In the collection are many rare manuscripts and historic papers.

REPORT OF BIRTHS
Dec. 2.—To Mr. and Mrs. William A. Weld, of 30 Epping street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Jakob Ludzick, of 205 Bridge street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pacula, of 81 West Third street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Maurice O'Connor, of 227 Broadway, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Johnson, of 70 Main street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stoddard, of 67 Mt. Grove street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Jan Zurawski, of 55 Common street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. David Prawley, of 91 Pustis avenue, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Odilon Rochette, of 521 Merrimack street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. James Costoulacos, of 40 Lewis street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Waznyne Cymbura, of 56 William street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Jan Znoj, of 172 Warren street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lambert, of 222 Christian street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. William Photopoulis, of 175 Suffolk street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Dolbert, of 21 Hancock street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mallon, of 2 Summer street court, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gacek, of 4 Sullivan court, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Ryan, of 884 Moody street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Beauregard, of 8 Frye street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Nabrega, of 125 Charles street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Bill Antonio, of 62 Cabot street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brunelle, of 24 Coolidge street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Brouilard, of 110 Ford street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. John B. McMenamin, of 9 Lane court, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Routhier, of 8 Pollard avenue, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. John Rambras, of 185 Adams street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. George Melropoulos, of 19 Fenwick street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. James Devlin, of 144 Warren street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Sousa, of 29 Union street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Pappas, of 24 Prince street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marcellini, of 141 Chapel street, a daughter.
To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Webb, of 24 West Bowery street, a son.
To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turcotte, of 156 Grand street, a son.

BELAND FOR RINTELEN
GERMANY SEEKS TO SAVE ALLEGED SPY—WOULD GIVE UP FORMER POSTMASTER-GENERAL
MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—The German government has offered to exchange Dr. Henri S. Beland, former postmaster general of Canada, for Capt. Franz von Rintelen, according to advices received here yesterday by Arthur Eremont, a former member of parliament. Dr. Beland was captured at the fall of Antwerp.

Capt. von Rintelen was removed by British officers from a steamer while en route from the United States to Holland. He has been held as a prisoner of war in England ever since, and several reports stated he was in the Tower of London, under sentence of death for espionage.

He has been named many times recently as having directed a conspiracy to foment strikes in munitions plants in the United States, and is under indictment at New York for obtaining a false passport, on which he was traveling when taken prisoner by the British.

The communication to Mr. Eremont was from Premier Borden, who said that Andrew Bonar Law, British colonial secretary, had requested Canadian authorities to petition for Dr. Beland's release. The communication stated that Cardinal Gasparri, after outlining the steps taken by the Vatican toward securing Dr. Beland's liberty, in a letter to Sir Harry Howard, British representative at the Vatican, wrote:

"The Vatican is anxious to secure the liberation of Dr. Beland, who would be affected as soon as the British government accords former Capt. Rintelen, now held prisoner in England, his freedom. I hope that the English government will have no difficulty in acceding to the proposition of the German government, and that it will be possible for both prisoners to obtain their liberty."

SCARED OFF BURGLAR
WOMAN, BOUND AND GAGGED ROLLED TO TELEPHONE AND GAVE ALARM
WORCESTER, Dec. 18.—Bound hand and foot, and with a gag in her mouth, Miss Celia White raised an alarm that drove burglars from the home of her employer yesterday before they could secure any loot. The girl is employed as a maid in the family of Saul Lighnam at 53 Coral street, and was alone in the house with a small baby when two men entered the back door with a key. They approached her from behind as she was cleaning a floor, with the baby nearby on a couch.

The burglars cut a rope from a child's sled in the yard and with it they bound Miss White's hands and wrists together and then joined the ropes that tied the legs and arms. They gagged her with a piece of cotton cloth and started ransacking the house. Miss White rubbed her head against the floor and got her mouth free and then rolled herself along the floor to a sewing machine, where the telephone was.

She barred the machine until she shook the receiver off the hook. She then shouted "help! burglars!" until the operator heard and immediately sent an emergency call to police headquarters. The telephone exchange girls were able to direct the police to the right house.

A squad of officers was sent from Station 2 and they found Miss White bound hand and foot on the floor. She was hysterical, but was able to give a description of the two burglars to the police. One of the men weighed 200 pounds and the other 145, according to her description.

The burglars broke open chests and trunks, smashed bureau drawers and started systematically through the house, but Miss White had freed herself from the gag and had frightened them out with her screaming before they reached a bureau in which considerable money was kept. The intruders went out the front door, locking it after them and taking the key.

The families on the second and third floors heard nothing of the trouble on the first floor, except the crying of the Lighnam baby when Miss White was helpless. The police are making general search for the burglars.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL
The original Rathborn pipe was smoked in turn by members of Warrick lodge, 25, Knights of Pythias, at its regular meeting held last evening in the headquarters on Merrimack street.

The pipe was the one used by the four chiefs of the order, Justin T. Rathborn, and was brought to Lowell especially for last evening's occasion. A musical program was presented, including piano selections by William H. McElroy, vocal selections by Donald Hanson and John Meyers, and readings by Mr. O'Donnell. There were also quartet selections.

Passaconaway Tribe
The following officers were elected at last evening's meeting of Passaconaway tribe, I.O.R.M.: Prophet, William H. Martin; sachem, James A. Shore; senior saganaw, Everett R. Merrill; junior saganaw, Walter G. Ryan; keeper of wampum, Edward T. Goward; chief of record, Arthur W. Garland; collector of wampum, Edmund Crompton. The installation of officers will be held at the second meeting in January, 1916, when the deputy great sachem, H. H. Wright of Woburn, Mass., Lawrence tribe will be present with a full suite to raise the chiefs to their various stumps. The tribe stood in silence for a moment in respect to the memory of the late chief and brother, W. W. Stimpson, who died on Dec. 4, and was buried in Grove cemetery, Belfast, Me., a large number of Red Men of that reservation attending.

Lowell Council, Royal Arcanum
Regent Guernsey presided at the regular meeting of Lowell council, R.A., held Thursday evening. As a mark of respect to the memory of the late Brother James Murkin, the members stood in silence while Brother Jackson sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Under the good of the order remarks were made by Brothers Jackson, Devoo and White, all dwelling upon the good work the order is doing for its members, and especially for the widows and orphans of deceased members. White was elected, the prize winners being Brothers H. Carpenter and J. Buchanan.

Division 1, A.O.H.
At this week's meeting of Division 1, A.O.H., the election of officers was held with the following result: President, George P. O'Meara; vice president, Martin McCarthy; financial secretary, Jas. A. Sheehan; recording secretary, Michael Casey; treasurer, Thomas Sheedy; physician, Dr. John Boyle; sentinel, John O'Hare. The installation of the officers will take place in the near future, in conjunction with the election of divisions, by the president of the Middlesex county board from Waltham. Sub-committees will meet tomorrow morning to make plans for a smoke talk to be held the first meeting in January.

Minnequa Council
Minnequa council, 12, Daughters of Pocahontas, has elected the following officers: Prophetess, Jennie Elliott; Pocahontas, Mary Tighe; Wagonah, Elva J. Barnes; Powhattan, Asa Hillard; keeper of records, Susie M. Rigby; collector of wampum, Mrs. Donora; keeper of wampum, Mary McKinnon; trustee for three years, Lilla J. Brown. One application for membership was received and one paleface was adopted. Deputy Great Pocahontas Lizzie Wyman and suite will be present on the first Wednesday in January to raise the chiefs to their respective stumps. A supper will be served on that evening to members of the order.

SUICIDE IN CELL

"Forger King" Ends Life by Hanging in Charles Street Jail

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—Made desperate by the sorrow his arrest had brought to his trusting wife, and fearing the outcome of the nation-wide investigation that the police were making concerning him, George L. Randerson, the self-styled "King of Forgers," who in 26 years of illicit but skillful operating had amassed a fortune, committed suicide by hanging in the Charles street jail at 7.45 last night.

He brought about his death with the same cunning that characterized his check operations. After his arrest, for the first time since his marriage, Randerson said that he had nothing to live for. He knew, too, that the police probe might disclose that he was not only a skillful forger, but a member of a crew of safe crackers, who were plotting to make a Christmas haul in this city.

Although Randerson did not know it, the police had taken into custody, only an hour before Randerson killed himself, John P. Rogers, alias "Brooklyn Jimmy," who, the police say, is an alleged safe burglar and a supposed accomplice of his.

Randerson showed the first symptoms of despondency on Wednesday evening, according to Sheriff Quinn. He wept a lot and talked incessantly of his loving and trusting wife in Albany, who imagined that he was an honest traveling salesman.

Randerson was a slightly built, nervous man. He was watched closely after the breakdown, but Thursday and yesterday seemed more cheerful, although the jailers did not relax their vigilance.

The forger had a piece of rope—how he obtained it nobody at the jail knew. Possibly he had used it as a belt. This he fastened around an upper bar in an opening in his cell facing the corridor.

Over the rope he spread a towel. Placing one end of the rope around his neck, he stood behind a wall between the opening and the cell door and dropped to the cell floor, the pressure on the throat slowly, but surely strangling him.

Patrick J. Barrett of South Boston, a jail guard, found the suicide. He looked into the cell, found the bunk unoccupied and, pushing away the towel, saw Randerson unconscious on the floor.

Barrett notified Sheriff Quinn and Deputy Sheriff Kelley and while they were communicating with Dr. Cliver the jail physician and Dr. White of the Massachusetts General hospital he tried to revive the prisoner by artificial respiration. The body was warm and the guard thought he could detect signs of life. Dr. Cliver and Dr. White, the latter with two assistants, soon arrived and found the prisoner was dead.

Sheriff Quinn said that he was certain that Randerson had been more suffering from an attack of blues, but that the prisoner had been watched as closely as possible.

Randerson was no ordinary prisoner, the authorities say. He was arrested Thursday afternoon of last week by Inspector Gleavey of police headquarters at the Parker house.

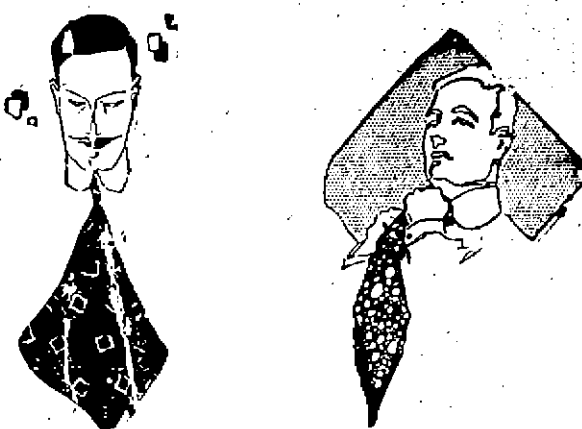
If the story that Randerson told at the time is true, a tragedy might have occurred then had he been quick enough.

Randerson's story was that he had two pale walling in the vicinity of the hotel, and had he raised his hat one of these men would have shot his captor down.

The night of his arrest Chief Inspector McGarr and Capt. Armstrong and a squad of picked men scoured the city, hunting for the supposed accomplices.

Last night it was unofficially stated that Randerson when arrested had in his possession a card bearing the name of Rogers, alias "Brooklyn Jimmy," who was arrested in a department store late yesterday afternoon by Detectives Towle and Dorsey of police headquarters.

MUNITIONS PLANT BLOWN UP
PARIS, Dec. 17.—The newspaper La Liberte says that the official report on the recent explosion at the Belgian



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munitions factories at Havra which caused a heavy loss of life and much property damage, eliminates the possibility that it was caused by the explosion of France. The paper says that the real reason was spontaneous combustion.

CONFERENCE ON WAR
WORCESTER, Dec. 18.—The possibilities of mediation and lessons to be learned by the United States from the war were among the topics considered on the final day of the Clark university conference on the war. The speakers included Prof. Emily C. Balch of Wellesley college, Congressman Warren W. Bailey of Pennsylvania and Francis Nelson, member of the British parliament.

SUFFRAGE CONVENTION
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The final business session of the annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association was held today. The convention will close with a public mass meeting tomorrow.

Delegates today still were discussing the proposal, rejected at yesterday's session, that the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage renew its affiliation with the National association. Authority was voted, however, for conferences between legislative committees of the two bodies in an effort to secure the passage of the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage amendment in the present congress.

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ON THE ALLEYS

Many League Games
Were Rolled Last
Evening—The Scores

The minor league bowlers were the attraction on the local alleys last night and many games were played. While none of the scores were of the record-breaking character some close and interesting contests were in order. Two games were played in Carr's league. The Bunting club started off well, but after the first string found the traveling very hard and dropped the other three to the Congress club. Burke of the winning aggregation was the only man to shoot over the 300 mark. In the game between the Marquette Shop and Lamson Rapids, the former team won three out of the four points.

When the Calumets and the Red Sox clashed in the Crescent league there was nothing to it but Calumets, the latter team having rolled the Sox to the tune of 132 to 110. The game between the Zeno Y's and Bunting A. A. proved to be a good one, but the latter team took three of the four points.

In the Y.M.C.A. league the Wolves had it all their own way in the game with the Fairmounts.

Five games were played in the Lawrence Mfg. Co. league. The Hosi Fincklers won three from the Shipping department, the Web Knit took three from the Hosi Knit, the Yarn Dept. dropped three to the Ship Fincklers, the Web Knit took three from the Hosi Knit, the Yarn Dept. dropped three to the Ship Fincklers, the Web Knit took three from the Hosi Knit, the Yarn Dept. dropped three to the Ship Fincklers.

The Shippers of the Saco-Loell league started off by losing the first string, but then won the next two and also took the third point.

The scores:

CARR'S LEAGUE

Congress Club

Kirino	23	2	3	T's
Connelly	23	2	3	T's
O'Connell	73	85	104	262
Burke	85	106	113	305
Burns	80	110	92	282
Totals	423	476	508	1303

Bunting's

Colomina	82	99	96	281
Van Zant	76	84	92	252
Cameron	85	95	92	272
Burke	103	96	89	288
Riley	100	109	88	297
Totals	455	474	458	1350

Machine Shop

E. Dyer	82	81	206
Madden	82	81	206
Grant	83	79	244
Laurin	89	85	264
A. Dyer	90	126	108
Totals	447	452	1415

Lamson Rapids

Boudreau	106	82	279
Loranger	91	73	241
Burns	90	105	295
Cummings	72	87	259
Humphrey	113	102	315
Totals	476	449	1369

CRESCENT LEAGUE

Calumets

Bowers	85	108	81	274
Ringwood	104	90	80	274
Powers	89	109	83	281
Cummings	82	87	81	250
Spagnolo	94	90	95	279
Totals	464	489	1382	

Red Sox

Fletcher	84	95	63	242
Whitney	83	85	86	254
Planders	77	73	85	235
Therby	82	89	81	252
Carr	84	71	96	251
Totals	399	383	1100	

Zeno Y's

Queenan	77	79	82	238
Montgomery	110	76	106	292
Concannon	91	88	89	268
Hendon	84	80	80	244
Gordon	38	92	110	240
Totals	480	415	1343	

Hunting A. A.

W. Roberts	95	86	90	271
Clayton	82	86	82	250
Hartwell	83	112	92	287
Choquette	81	102	96	282
Buckley	113	115	99	327
Totals	468	503	1421	

Y.M.C.A. LEAGUE

Wolves

Davis	86	91	101	278
Loughran	106	89	86	281
Calumette	82	88	82	252
McMahon	85	85	108	278
Thomas	84	85	83	252
Totals	440	430	1354	

Fairmounts

Pencarth	79	83	80	242
Clayton	84	86	83	253
Milligan	93	78	88	259
Gillis	75	74	82	231
King	100	85	89	274
Totals	431	406	1217	

LAWRENCE MFG. LEAGUE

Shipping Dept.

Gendreau	85	92	81	258
Levey	83	85	84	252
Clay	91	104	107	292
Therby	81	82	87	250
Chase	98	84	89	271
Totals	440	447	1344	

Hosi Fincklers

Geoffrey	123	104	85	312
Pineault	105	75	85	265
Trappier	82	88	82	252
Martin	83	123	95	301
Akerley	83	83	80	246
Totals	487	465	1357	

Hosi Knit

Fewell	106	85	91	282
Seiner	81	83	111	275
Lavoie	98	78	92	268
Mailbox	85	93	82	260
Itague	88	91	108	287
Totals	459	430	1350	

Web Knit

Schombom	88	85	114	287
Rigley	83	79	82	244
LaVoie	82	82	81	245
Hell	80	81	87	248
Derosier	124	109	87	320
Totals	485	459	1403	

Shirt Fincklers

Champagne	80	88	80	248
Chapman	80	82	86	248
Melton	92	85	81	258
Mori	117	104	83	304
Lacombe	108	85	92	285
Totals	481	464	1373	

Yarn Department

Booth	83	97	86	266
Pineau	83	85	105	273
Pillsbury	88	83	84	255
Trudel	85	88	84	257
Green	89	91	86	266
Totals	488	448	1341	

Shirt Fold

Jussier	73	2	3	T's
Crack	83	95	94	272

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

PEACE TREATY

Representatives of 3 Leagues in New York to Sign the Papers

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Approval of the tentative baseball peace plan having been given by representatives of the National, American and Federal leagues, the details of the treaty were considered in a conference here today of the members of the national commission with a committee from the Federal league.

Meanwhile the negotiators are awaiting the result of efforts which it is understood are to be made in Chicago today to obtain the consent of Judge Landis to discontinue the suit brought by the Federal league against organized baseball. A question was raised in the negotiations here whether it would be legal or in contempt of Judge Landis to sign a peace treaty while the legal action was still pending before him.

Aside from the members of the National and Federal league clubs in Chicago and St. Louis, one of the most important clauses in the agreement, it is authoritatively stated, is a provision that 72 of the Federal league players who now have contracts with the Federal league shall be fully protected by organized baseball. According to the same authority other Federal league players will be given ten days notice.

An important phase of the negotiations is the part assigned to the International league and the American association in taking over clubs and players left over by the elimination of the Federal league. It is stated, however, that to have clubs in the reorganized International league. It is reported that Carroll Rasin, president of the Baltimore club, and that Edward Gwinn, head of the Pittsburgh Federals, will be president of the reorganized Pittsburgh club. Rasin, however, demands that the St. Louis National league club be transferred to Baltimore.

It was stated today that probably the International league and the American association will have to take care of Federal league players rejected by the two major leagues.

ROLLS SINGLE OF 184

NEW RECORD FOR CANDLE PINS SCORED BY SALEM BOWLER IN DORCHESTER

DORCHESTER, Dec. 18.—Archie Walsh had the privilege last night of watching his world's candlepin single string record being shattered by his teammate John Wentzell of Salem. The diminutive Archie put up 175 for the highest ever rolled in league or tournament competition and it stood until last night when Wentzell pushed it to 184. The fact that Wentzell did not make a double century was due to the fact that he had two nine boxes.

The world's record single was Wentzell's opening string for Chelsea at the Cambridge bazaar alleys in the Suburban league last night. He made an ordinary start with a 17 spare and then got a 9 box. The next three boxes he did well, but on the sixth got another break for a 9. A spare on the seventh and then the Salem bowler "struck out" bringing up the boxes to 184. The strain was too much and on the second he got hit 98 while on the third he went through with 120 which gave him a total of 184, the second best total made this season at candles.

Wentzell's contribution gave Chelsea a season record in the Suburban, for though the other individual singles were not especially heavy his was top-heavy and the total of 611 is a season mark.

SPORTING NEWS

Organized baseball does not claim all of the politicians with J. K. Tener, president of the National league, a former governor; Gary Herrmann of Cincinnati, a big man in Ohio politics and Jim Gaffney, of the Braves, a former New York ward boss. Sinclair of the Feds is to be named as a republican national committeeman from Oklahoma.

Eastern college circles are interested in the career of the sprinting halfback of the Washington and Lee eleven, may enter Cornell next fall. While he would not be eligible for the 1915 team, Barrett would be a football factor at Ithaca in 1917 fully as important as his namesake, who led the Cornell eleven to victory during the past season just closed.

Tring Porter will play baseball in 1916 with Louis Pieper's Lynn club. The speedster, who sprang a sensation recently by jumping to the Newark club of the Federal league along with other organized ball stars has jumped all the way back again. He will not wear a Federal league uniform in 1916, because Louis Pieper has shown him the error in his judgment for deserting the N. E. league for such an organization as the Federal league.

Eddie Ainsmith, crack catcher of the Washington American league club, who once played with Lowell in the New England league, is reported as ready to jump to the Federals, this story being started by Germany Schaeffer, former Washington and Detroit player. "Chick" Gandil, Washington first sacker, is another whom Schaeffer has declared will take the leap from organized ball. The rumor has it that Clarke Griffith, manager of the Nationals, and he came to bat with the statement that both men will be with his team in 1916. Gandil's contract has another year to run. Griffith says, while Ainsmith has given him every assurance that he will be in the fold. The former Spindletop City backstop at one time attended Colby college and was member of the basketball quintet which annexed the New Hampshire title.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Twenty-seven runners are entered for the annual senior national cross country championship over the Van Cortlandt park course this afternoon. This is the smallest field entered for that race in years. As the course is covered with snow and ice it has been altered to eliminate some of the hazards. Hannes Kolchmalma is the favorite. John W. Overton, the Yale runner, who won the intercollegiate title, has notified the chairman of the championship committee that he sprained his ankle in a practice run and will be unable to compete today. Overton was entered to run in the individual event against Stanley Ford of Philadelphia and Russell Springsteen of Yonkers.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

PEACE TREATY

Representatives of 3 Leagues in New York to Sign the Papers

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Approval of the tentative baseball peace plan having been given by representatives of the National, American and Federal leagues, the details of the treaty were considered in a conference here today of the members of the national commission with a committee from the Federal league.

Meanwhile the negotiators are awaiting the result of efforts which it is understood are to be made in Chicago today to obtain the consent of Judge Landis to discontinue the suit brought by the Federal league against organized baseball. A question was raised in the negotiations here whether it would be legal or in contempt of Judge Landis to sign a peace treaty while the legal action was still pending before him.

Aside from the members of the National and Federal league clubs in Chicago and St. Louis, one of the most important clauses in the agreement, it is authoritatively stated, is a provision that 72 of the Federal league players who now have contracts with the Federal league shall be fully protected by organized baseball. According to the same authority other Federal league players will be given ten days notice.

An important phase of the negotiations is the part assigned to the International league and the American association in taking over clubs and players left over by the elimination of the Federal league. It is stated, however, that to have clubs in the reorganized International league. It is reported that Carroll Rasin, president of the Baltimore club, and that Edward Gwinn, head of the Pittsburgh Federals, will be president of the reorganized Pittsburgh club. Rasin, however, demands that the St. Louis National league club be transferred to Baltimore.

It was stated today that probably the International league and the American association will have to take care of Federal league players rejected by the two major leagues.

GLOVER GETS DECISION

MANCHESTER FANS THOUGHT BAY WOOD WAS ENTITLED TO DRAW

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 18.—Mike Glover of Boston, with his greater reach and height, was given the award over Bay Wood of Fall River in a 12-round battle here last night, although the crowd showed displeasure over the decision.

Many thought Wood earned a draw, at least, as he carried the fighting to his opponent and finished the 12th round with a left to the body and right to the jaw that staggered the Boston boy.

Glover showed brilliant footwork and avoided many vicious swings. He held his opponent lightly in the earlier rounds. Later on Glover put on more steam. He used a left jab in the closing rounds which split Wood's lip and he got home with it many times.

RUBLEE TURNED DOWN

UNITED STATES SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM HIM FOR TRADE COMMISSION

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—There is a strong probability that George Rublee of New Hampshire may fail of confirmation by the Senate as member of the powerful federal trade commission. The other members were confirmed last March, but Mr. Rublee was opposed by Senator Gallinger on the ground both of unfitness and that he was "personally obnoxious"—the latter

always holding up a confirmation when made by a vote from the same state as the nominee. Senator Reed of Missouri also opposed Mr. Rublee and announced him on the floor of the senate in a vigorous speech as "a notorious lobbyist." The president, however, gave Mr. Rublee a recess appointment the day following adjournment and again sent his name to the present session. His opening in the present session. His name is now before the senate, but it has leaked out that at the executive session today it failed of confirmation and was sent back to the committee. Besides the objections advanced by Mr. Gallinger and Mr. Reed, it appears that the senate hesitates to confirm Mr. Rublee as a republican appointee, now they find that at the last New Hampshire election he supported the democratic ticket and was a campaign worker for the election of the democratic candidate for U. S. senate. Of course the matter may be adjusted, but at this moment Mr. Rublee's confirmation looks doubtful. RICHARDS.

FORD'S PARTY RELEASED

BRITISH ALLOW PEACE SHIP TO PROCEED ON HER VOYAGE TO CHRISTIANA AND COPENHAGEN

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Announcement was made by the foreign office last night that the steamship Oscar II, having on board the Ford peace party, has been permitted to proceed on her voyage to Christiania. The foreign office understands the steamship has sailed from Kirkwall, into which port it was taken by the British authorities. Guarantees were required that certain parts of the steamship's cargo must be returned to England.

The captain of the Oscar II has given a bond to return to England the part of the cargo in question, which has been declared contraband.

Henry Ford made an urgent request that the steamship be allowed to proceed.

He told the British authorities he believed he could arrange peace if permitted to visit neutral countries.

The Oscar II sailed from Kirkwall yesterday afternoon for Christiania and Copenhagen.

STORM WARNING

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The local weather bureau today received the following special from Washington:

Southeast warnings ordered 10 a. m.; Marched, Mass., to Eastport, Me. Storm central over Chesapeake bay and moving northeast and increasing rapidly in intensity. Easterly gales this afternoon and tonight.

At night: Sunday fair, colder; high easterly winds, shifting to westerly by Sunday.

MOUNT ETNA ACTIVE

CATANIA, Sicily, Dec. 18.—Mount Etna is again showing considerable activity. Glowing cinders and smoke form an umbrella-shaped cloud above the volcano.

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Katharine E. Fay, late of said county, deceased, I, Fay, Philip Fay and Andrew E. Fay, of Lowell, in said county, minors.

Katharine E. Fay, late of said county, deceased, has presented for petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the order named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjusted best, certain real estate therein specified, of her said wards for their maintenance.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-first day of December, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each of you fourteen days, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness my hand and seal, at Lowell, in said county, this 18th day of December, 1915.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of William J. Dally, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased:

Whereas, Michael D. Dunaway, administrator of said estate, has presented to said Court his petition praying the Court to determine the amount of money which he may pay for the perpetual care of the lot in which the body of said deceased is buried, and to whom the same shall be paid, are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said county, on the fifth day of January, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

Said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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CAPTAIN O'MEAGHER CONDON

Death of Noted Irish Patriot, Well Known to Lowell Citizens

Sentenced to Death with Allen, Larkin and O'Brien in 1867.

Sketch of Chief Events in His Career—Funeral Today at New York



THE LATE EDWARD O'MEAGHER CONDON

Today the funeral of Edward O'Meagher Condon was held in New York from his late home, 154 East 72d street. Capt. Condon was well known in Lowell and his death will be deeply regretted by the friends of the Irish cause who met him on several occasions at demonstrations held in this city. His last appearance here was at a meeting held under the auspices of the United Irish League at Lincoln hall on March 19, 1911. On that occasion, he was accompanied by the late John O'Callaghan, another indefatigable worker for the cause of Ireland. Both made stirring speeches and although a snow storm was in progress the hall was crowded and the speakers were applauded to the echo.

Capt. Condon's fame rests chiefly upon the part he played in the Manchester rescue of Fenian prisoners in 1867. He was sentenced to death with Allen, Larkin and O'Brien, who were executed Nov. 23, 1867. His sentence, however, was commuted to penal servitude for life but he was liberated through the influence of his friends in the United States after having served 11 years in Portland prison. It was Capt. Condon who on being sentenced to death uttered the prayer, "God Save Ireland" which was repeated by Allen, Larkin and O'Brien on the scaffold and was later made the subject of a celebrated song by T. D. Sullivan, known to the Irish race everywhere as "God Save Ireland." It is now regarded as the national anthem of Ireland, almost as popular as St. Patrick's Day.

After coming to this country Capt. Condon secured an appointment in the supervising architect's office in Washington, for he is remembered as having served in the Civil war and attained distinction that brought him, the title of captain.

Supervised Post Office
When the new post office was being built in Lowell Capt. Condon supervised the work and he and Patrick Condon, who was a contractor connected with the work, were the only men in the city who were not in the post office when it was opened. Capt. Condon heard of Mr. Condon's death and sent a message of condolence and would have come from Washington to the funeral but for the fact that he was tied up with official business.

Until quite recently he has been in different parts of the country particularly through New England supervising the construction of post offices and other federal buildings. He was a man who always in this country lived in the plainest and simplest manner. He was a total abstainer and to this he often attributed his length of years in spite of all that he endured in prison.

Capt. Condon was one of the most devoted men who ever labored for the freedom of Ireland. He risked his life for the cause and was ready to die for it. He advocated physical force methods until he saw that constitutional agitation as carried out by Parnell and Redmond was more effective. There was no more ardent worker in the ranks of the United Irish League than Capt. Condon. He attended all the conventions and gave freely of his time and his energy to help the movement. Always in demand as a public speaker on such occasions, he assisted very materially in raising funds to help along the movement in Ireland. He was a close friend of the late John O'Callaghan and together both visited Ireland in 1909 making a tour of the country and also of a portion of England, including the city of Manchester, the scene of the rescue for which he was executed.

night, they had taken the freedom of the city (cheers), and that day they seemed determined to repeat the performance (hear, hear). There was no Irishman worthy of the name who would not feel honored to stand up in the same assembly with that distinguished Irishman, Capt. O'Meagher Condon (loud cheers). That was a meeting of welcome to him, a meeting of the Irish people of Manchester to pour out their hearts in affection on the hero of '67. The proceedings of the previous night was not a demonstration, it was an outburst of national devotion to the man who did and dared for Ireland without any regard for the consequences (cheers). There is nobody who saw these two eventful gatherings could say that the Irish heart was ungrateful or forgetful (cheers). So long as there was an Irish population left in that city of Manchester, so long as Ireland was deprived of her rights of self-government, so long would they stand by the principles of Captain Condon, by the principles of the Irish parliamentary party of today (cheers), knowing no other political masters, and responding to the call of no other political leader (cheers).

Capt. Condon's Address
Captain O'Meagher Condon, on rising to address the assembly, received a great ovation. The entire audience rose in their places, and cheered and waved hats and handkerchiefs for some time. Then the notes of "God Save Ireland" burst forth from thousands of throats. There was another outburst of cheering at its close. When this manifestation of enthusiasm had abated, Captain Condon proceeded to speak. He said he had always expected much of the Irish in Manchester, because he had considerable experience of them in old times (cheers), and his expectations had been far more than realized. Last night, and that day again, they had given proof that the old spirit of devotion and loyalty to the motherland was still as strong in the hearts as it had been in the hearts of their countrymen present from over one hundred branches of the League and Yorkshire. Representatives were in that city over two score years ago, when he had been last with them (cheers). With regard to the incidents with which he had been connected in these times, it was hardly necessary to say anything more than remark that today, as in the past, he had not anything to regret, to retract, or take back (great cheering). In the performance of their duty to their comrades they did what they believed was right. They took the chance. They had had their sufferings, and they had not any regret in the least that they could not forget. The remains of his poor comrades had been buried in the jail yard, and transferred thence to another jail yard where, he believed, they still remained. He would ask Alderman Boyle and the members of the committee who had so effectively and splendidly performed their duty, and more than performed their duty, to add to the obligations assumed that of procuring for these remains Christian burial (loud and prolonged cheers), in sacred ground in the land which they loved and died for.

This noble appeal, coming from the lips of Captain Condon, who so narrowly escaped the fate of the Manchester martyrs, produced deep emotion amongst the audience and it was some minutes before he could proceed.

MOTORCYCLIST KILLED

YOUNG RIDER WAS HURLED HEADLONG AND STRUCK POLE WHILE ON WAY TO BOSTON

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 18.—While on his way to Boston on a motorcycle yesterday morning, George W. Haskell, aged 22, was thrown headlong against a trolley rail about a mile west of Stonington and instantly killed.

The motorcycle evidently skidded on the glass ice. Haskell was traveling at a high speed and was thrown a considerable distance. His skull was fractured, his right leg lacerated, nose broken and upper lip cut. He was employed by C. F. Williams of Stonington. He leaves a mother, Mrs. Mary Haskell.

FIVE KILLED IN CRASH

REAR-END COLLISION OF TRAINS NEAR CHESTER, PA.—DENSE FOG THE CAUSE OF WRECK

CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 18.—Five persons were killed and 11 injured, one probably fatally, in a rear-end collision between an accommodation train bound from Wilmington to Chester and a train of empty express cars on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad last night at Pelton, two miles south of this city.

Two of the dead were railroad employees, two were negro passengers whose bodies have not been identified. Daniel Gallagher, a passenger from Philadelphia being the fifth victim. All the injured lived in Philadelphia and Chester or in nearby towns.

The accident was due, railroad officials say, to dense fog, which made it impossible for the engineers to see the signals. The accommodation train was standing at Pelton Station when the other train crashed into it. All three accommodation coaches were telescoped and the engine was buried down an embankment.

A moment after the accident an express train from Philadelphia for Baltimore crashed into the wreckage, but little damage resulted. Traffic was tied up for several hours.

TO SUSPEND CLERGYMAN

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The Ecclesiastical court which tried Rev. George Chalmers Richmond, rector of St. John's Episcopal church in this city, on charges of conduct unbecoming a clergyman and violation of his canonical duties, yesterday rendered a verdict recommending that he be suspended from the performance of his church duties for one year.

LEW'S BASKETBALL LUCK

STARTED FOR FITCHBURG LAST NIGHT BUT WERE HELD UP ON THE WAY

Harry "Bucky" Lew and the members of his Lowell basketball team went over the road by auto last night to play Fitchburg but the cold weather and the condition of the roads and the game was called off. The team did not arrive in Groton until after 9 o'clock although it left Lowell at 6 o'clock and Ayer was not sighted until 10:30 o'clock. There was a large attendance at Fitchburg awaiting the arrival of the Lowell contingent.

More bad luck attended the team in Ayer where the players found it impossible to get accommodations at the hotels. They were forced to either remain in the machine or sit in the railroad street until 4:30 o'clock when they came to Lowell on the Bar Harbor express.

Jim Mulvaney, the big Nashua police inspector, was more fortunate than his teammates and he was the only one to reach home in the abode of a freight train.

FUNERAL NOTICES

LOVELL.—The funeral of Andrew Lovell will take place Monday morning at 8 o'clock from his late home, 8 Maple street, in St. Michael's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

BURNS.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Burns will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 72 Powell street. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

SULLIVAN.—The funeral of Mrs. Annie Scott Sullivan will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 170 South street at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in the Edison cemetery. Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

LARKIN.—The funeral of Miss Anna Larkin will take place Monday morning from her late home, 12 Bowler street at 10 o'clock. A high mass of requiem at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Interment in St. Patrick's cemetery. Peter H. Savage in charge.

DRURY.—Died this city, Dec. 17, at his home, 136 Princeton street, William O. Drury, aged 71 years, 10 months, 26 days. Funeral services will be held from his home, 136 Princeton street, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited to attend. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

SPRING.—Died Dec. 17, in this city, Henry Sprick, aged 79 years, at his home, 175 South street. Burial will be held at the home of Undertaker George W. Healey, 79 Branch street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends are invited to attend without further notice. Burial private.

TOWNSEND.—Died Dec. 17th, in Billerica, Mrs. Eliza A. Townsend, aged 85 years. The home of her daughter, Mrs. Edmund V. Bent, Andover street, Billerica, Centre, Private funeral services will be held at the home of Mrs. Bent, Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

MORSE.—The funeral of Alexander Morse will be held at the home of Mrs. Morse, 154 Smith street, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited to attend. Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck will have charge of funeral arrangements.

THE SPELLBINDER

Some difference between Lowell and Lawrence!

Since election night, quietness has been restored and the city has resumed the even tenor of its way, as regards politics; but not so in Lawrence, where since election there appears to be more political talk of a sensational nature than during the campaign.

"The Lawrence Sun-American" of Thursday night had its front page filled with political news under such headlines as:

Here are a few of them:
"District Attorney to Investigate Charges—To Comply with Mayor's Request."
"Changes in Commission Looked For—Mayor-elect Hurley May Remove Bridge Board, It is Rumored."
And biggest of all:
"Cadogan Threatens Big Police Strike—Fire Department and Police Officials Will Be Asked to Resign for Political Activity."

There is a big shakeup coming in the Lawrence police and fire departments, according to the commission, he started before the close of the present week. The early changes will be minor ones and will probably mean the dropping of a number of the members of the call force of the local fire department.

Several members of the police and fire departments will be asked to resign, and the commission, "and if they ignore this request I shall then take steps to remove them." Activity in politics is the main charge which will be brought against them and the commission alleges that it is the younger members of the police force who will suffer as a result of their alleged "activity."

Section 6, rule 7, of the Lawrence police manual reads as follows:
"Members of the force will avoid all religious or political discussions. They shall not interfere or make use of their office in elections, but should quietly exercise their right of suffrage as other citizens."

This section will, in the opinion of Commissioner Cadogan, enable him to pursue the course which he intends to take if several members of the police department fail to hand in their resignations when they receive the request.

FIREMEN ARE HAPPY
The local firemen are both happy and appreciative over their victory in securing the one-day-off-in-five and they hastened to give public expression to their appreciation as soon as the result was known by having inserted in every paper in Lowell a card of thanks addressed to the voters. Did I say every paper? I should have said practically every one. Last night the firemen of the West Centralville house, whose popular captain "Herb" Merrill, was one of the biggest boosters of the one day off in five had an informal celebration which took the form of a steamed clam supper, for there's no finer steamed clam chow in the world than Capt. Merrill's. The clam was served in the basement of the clubhouse which is a model of neatness and cleanliness and quite a few of the neighbors were entertained between 5 and 8 o'clock. Among the guests were Chief Saunders, Agent Walker of the Lawrence Mfg. Co., Humphrey O'Sullivan and several newsmen.

Speaking of the one day off in five proposition, while it was not a measure connected with party politics, and while the firemen are of all political parties, an analysis of the vote cast shows very plainly that the democratic wards of the city carried the day for the firemen.

Henry L. Rourke's Success
In the giving of the contract for the new high school to Architect Henry L. Rourke, the work was given to "a Lowell man" in all that the title implies. Mr. Rourke is not only a native of Lowell but his father, the late Lawrence Rourke, was also a native and a member of the Lowell police force in days gone by. Mr. Rourke's career presents a most encouraging example for any young boy of humble circumstances to emulate. Mr. Rourke's parents died when he was but a child, and he was taken under the motherly care of his aunt, Mrs. Marcella Courtney, of 196 Pawtucket street, as fine a character as ever performed a kindly or charitable duty. He remained a member of the family until his marriage a few years ago. From childhood's days he evinced a particular aptitude for drawing, modelling and architecture and when only a small boy was one of the stars at the evening modelling school. Upon leaving school he obtained employment with the firm of Ford and Phillips, architects, in Merrimack street and after a short time with that concern entered the office of Fred W. Stiekney, where he learned his profession and with whom he remained until he went into business on his own account. Throughout his career, Mr. Rourke has been a careful and untiring worker and it is no surprise to his friends to find him at the top of his profession. His domestic life during the present time Mr. Rourke is completing a big house of studies for the Oblate Fathers, in Washington, D. C.

Heard at City Hall
"I understand that the street department is now obliged to clean all the sidewalks around the property in the city that has been seized by the city this year," said a clerk to a fellow-clerk.

"That's what they say," was the reply.
"Does that include the land seized in Pawtucketville for a hospital?"
"No, only the land seized in the city."

ST. LOUIS.—The funeral of Anna Doherty took place yesterday afternoon from the funeral parlors of Undertaker James H. McDermott and proceeded to St. Peter's church, where services were held at 3 o'clock. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, under the direction of J. J. McDermott.

ST. AMAND.—The funeral of Isidore St. Amand took place this morning from the home of his daughter, Mrs. Pauline St. Amand, 130 North Main street, at 10 o'clock. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Amant, O.M.I., and Rev. Charles Gagnon, O.M.I., as deacon and sub-deacon. The bearers were Alfred and Joseph St. Amand, Joseph Doherty, Ollivier Portance, J. Neveu and J. Bonde. A large number of friends were present. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the funeral services were in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

LOOBY.—The funeral of John Riley took place this morning at 8:30 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy on Market street, and was largely attended. A funeral high mass was celebrated in St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Graydon. The burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Graydon read the burial service. The bearers were Messrs. Charles Riley, Philip Sawyer, Frank Gargan and Joseph Gargan. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

BAHNS.—The funeral of Eli Barnes, the well known employee of the Boston & Maine railroad, took place this morning from his home, 22 Anderson street, at 10 o'clock. The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends, including many from Salem, Mass., Montreal and Manitoba, Canada. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church, where a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated at 10 o'clock by the Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. T. J. Woot, O.M.I., as deacon and the Rev. James Fallon, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. The floral tributes were profuse and beautiful and were borne by Undertaker Charles H. Molloy and his assistants. The funeral was in charge of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

PLANS FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Advisory Architect Selects Plans Prepared by Henry L. Rourke

Selection of a Popular One—Other Competitors Secured Cash Prizes

The municipal council, as was stated in yesterday's Sun, has adopted the high school plans as prepared by Architect Henry L. Rourke; the plan recommended by the advisory architect, James E. McLaughlin, of Boston. It was generally conceded throughout the conference held that the plans, which later proved to be Mr. Rourke's plans, were the best and after they had been adopted the other four architects who had competed, congratulated Mr. McLaughlin on his selection. Until the five competing architects were taken into the public reception room, where the plans were exposed and were there selected, identifying their plans, nobody knew the maker of any of the plans. Mr. McLaughlin had indicated what was, in his judgment, the best plan by pointing it out. There were no marks by which to identify it and the same was true of the other four plans. The two other sets named as the second and third best were made by Percy F. Gilbert and the firm of Stiekney & Austin. A cash prize of \$250 was awarded Mr. Gilbert and another cash prize of \$150 was awarded Stiekney & Austin.

The plans submitted yesterday were for the selection of an architect and unquestionably the plans selected, Mr. Rourke's plans, may be changed in many respects. The Rourke plans provide for the following rooms and accommodations: The basement will contain three domestic science rooms, one domestic science laboratory, three mechanical drawing rooms, two wood working rooms, one machine shop room, one forge shop room, a girls' and boys' lunch room and girls' and boys' locker room. Each locker room is equipped with 135 metal lockers, the two of the present day being to get away from the old wardrobe. The basement will also contain toilets for boys and girls and a fan room and stock room for heating purposes.

The first floor will contain the principal suite of 135 metal lockers, the study room, an assembly hall with a capacity of 1700, various ante-rooms and toilets for men and women teachers and boys and girls. The hall is so situated as to permit of public use without interfering with the school session. The hall, as designed, is to be equipped with a large organ.

The second floor will contain six bookkeeping rooms, three typewriter rooms, one commercial geography room, office practice room, two first year science rooms, eight classrooms, one library, two teachers' rooms and a balcony to the assembly hall. The balcony to the hall will have entrances from the street and second floor.

The third floor will contain 17 class rooms, two domestic art rooms, one study room, one music room, two teachers' rooms and toilets for boys and girls.

Over the third floor will be located the chemical laboratories, two physical, one biology and one chemical, and a lecture room with the amphitheatre style of seating, and two freeland drawing rooms.

The roof of the assembly hall is so constructed as to be used for a garden or for drilling purposes. It will be accessible from large corridors leading direct to the roof.

The exterior of the building was designed to correspond with the general design of the present building and that is one of the very real reasons why Mr. Rourke's plans were selected. Referring to the plans the advisory architect, in his report, states that he was largely influenced in his selection by the superiority of the plan and thoughtful regard shown in adopting the architectural treatment of the exterior to that of the present building.

Mr. Rourke at the present time is erecting the schoolhouse at Washington, D. C., for the Society of Oblate Fathers, the building being one of the largest educational buildings under process of construction in Washington at the present time.

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Over the third floor will be located the chemical laboratories, two physical, one biology and one chemical, and a lecture room with the amphitheatre style of seating, and two freeland drawing rooms.

The roof of the assembly hall is so constructed as to be used for a garden or for drilling purposes. It will be accessible from large corridors leading direct to the roof.

The exterior of the building was designed to correspond with the general design of the present building and that is one of the very real reasons why Mr. Rourke's plans were selected. Referring to the plans the advisory architect, in his report, states that he was largely influenced in his selection by the superiority of the plan and thoughtful regard shown in adopting the architectural treatment of the exterior to that of the present building.

Mr. Rourke at the present time is erecting the schoolhouse at Washington, D. C., for the Society of Oblate Fathers, the building being one of the largest educational buildings under process of construction in Washington at the present time.

DR. AND MRS. F. F. PILLSBURY
INSURED ON WESTFORD STREET TODAY

DR. and Mrs. Fitzroy F. Pillsbury of 32 Westford street narrowly escaped a serious injury this forenoon when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into an electric car at the corner of Westford and Edison streets, the accident being due to the fog. Mrs. Pillsbury was badly cut about the face, arms and hands by the flying glass from the broken windshield, but her condition is not serious. The doctor received a slight injury to one leg, while the automobile is a wreck.

The coupe toppled over on the side and it was then that the doctor received an injury to his leg. Despite her injuries, Mrs. Pillsbury managed to walk to her home, a short distance from the scene of the accident.

SAFE BLOWER SHOT DOWN
FRANK SMITH, WHO SERVED SIX PENITENTIARY TERMS, FATALLY WOUNDED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Frank Smith, said by the police here today to be known in Europe and America as one of the most expert safe blowers, was shot and fatally wounded last night at the entrance to a basement apartment after a shooting Smith assailant escaped in an automobile.

Smith is said to have served six penitentiary terms and to have broken jail twice.

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